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**Comment
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**TIPS FOR TAX
PAYERS**

WRESTLING with the intricacies of a taxation return may not be everyone's ideal way of spending a quiet evening at home, but at least it is an experience common to most of us, and one which, as we all know to our pain, increases in complexity the more successful and enterprising we are in the world. We may envy those who find it worth their while to call in a tax consultant, because for most of us the annual task of filling in the taxation form is a do-it-yourself job with many frustrations and few compensations.

The complications of the taxation system in the United Kingdom are such that the Government has to send out with its forms eight pages of explanation of the maze of laws and regulations for the benefit of those indomitable folk who yearly pit their wits against the tax collector. Not satisfied with this, the Board of Inland Revenue is now publishing a pamphlet of 63 hints on how to save tax, in order to point out to the general public the concessions available.

WITHOUT suggesting that Hongkong's system is anything like as complicated—though what it will be like after the Financial Secretary has had his say on March 1, we dare not guess—we do suggest that there is much in favour of either publishing an explanatory booklet or establishing an office in the new Public Enquiry Service to help people here with their problems.

There have been reports circulating at various times of government employees familiar with taxation procedures offering to help Chinese taxpayers at a fee amounting to half the total concessions to which the taxpayers are entitled. The "fee" may seem a large one but to the many who regard this annual summons for an assessment of income as a cabalistic mystery hopelessly beyond their comprehension, the prospect of getting half their deductions is infinitely preferable to receiving none at all.

THE point is that taxpayers are entitled to such an advisory service free. There should be no mysteries or hidden complications about the tax laws and the deductions and concessions to which the individual taxpayer is entitled should be clearly outlined for all. To an ever increasing extent, taxation is reaching out to the Chinese population and it is for the benefit of people not particularly well educated, bewildered at their first contact with bureaucracy, and encountering taxation for the first time, that an advisory service should be available.

As Hongkong develops and as greater demands are made upon the public to help finance the cost of government, taxation is likely to become increasingly complicated. For the benefit of the taxpayer as much as to avoid red tape and corruption in government departments, it is essential to keep local taxation ordinances under constant revision and, by regular reform, to insist on as much simplicity as possible.

**Serious shortages caused by natural disasters
JAPAN OFFERS FOOD TO CHINA**

**Distribution
through
Red Cross**

Tokyo, Feb. 21.
The Japanese Government yesterday decided to offer rice and other food to China which has admitted it is suffering a serious food shortage brought on by a succession of natural disasters.

**Slim supports
Australian
immigration
policy**

London, Feb. 20.
Field Marshal Viscount Slim, former Governor-General of Australia, told members of the Insurance Institute of London tonight that there had been "a great deal of talk" about Australia's policy of confining immigration to white people.

"A lot of well meaning people thought they should allow coloured immigrants. It is certainly not my view."

"There are several reasons why it is good to restrict immigrants to white people."

"I am in favour of keeping Australia white because Australia is the bastion of Western civilisation in the vast area of the Pacific in the Southern Hemisphere."

"And I think her real service to the world will be to set the example of the Western democratic civilisation to the new nations."

"I know dozens of Indians and Pakistanis who are better educated, much cleverer, have a much higher standard and integrity and thousands who are braver than I and I don't want any of them to go to Australia and become second-class citizens."

"That is what they would become."—AP.

**MACMILLAN IN
COLLISION**

London, Feb. 20.
A chauffeur-driven car with Mr. Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, in the front passenger seat was involved in a collision with a van in Piccadilly today.

An official spokesman said tonight that no one was hurt in this "little bump" and only a lamp on the front of the car was broken.—China Mail Special.

Flu victims

Tokyo, Feb. 21.
The Asian flu epidemic yesterday claimed two more victims, bringing the death toll to 31 since the beginning of the year.

The metropolitan anti-flu headquarters said 15 primary, junior and senior high schools were closed as of Monday.—UPI.

YOUTH STRANGLED

Osaka, Feb. 21.
A seven-year-old boy reported missing was found strangled to death at a cheap hotel here on Monday, police reported.

Police said Tetsuaki Aoki disappeared on Monday while en route home with his mother after seeing a film on Sunday afternoon.—AP.

**Kennedy will
skip news
conference**

Washington, Feb. 20.
President Kennedy will not hold a news conference this week, the White House announced today.

It will be the first week that Kennedy has passed up a session with newsmen since he took office a month ago.

In reply to questions, White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger noted that this Wednesday—the regular day for Kennedy news conferences—is George Washington's birthday and a legal holiday.

Salinger gave that as the reason the President is passing up a conference this week, but said in response to questions that so far as he knows Kennedy will be at work as usual on the holiday.—AP.

**Wave of
arrests in
Caracas**

Caracas, Feb. 20.
An underground group of military men, a Roman Catholic priest and at least 30 civilians have been arrested in the wake of an unsuccessful and bloody uprising against President Romulo Betancourt, reliable sources reported today.

The only arrest that has been acknowledged officially, however, is that of Colonel Edito Jose Ramirez, who was described as the leader of the coup.

The newspaper El Mundo placed the number of arrests at 60.

The attempted revolt failed when Ramirez was unable to capture the military college, of which he had been director until last week.—AP.

**84,000 air
employees
idle**

New York, Feb. 20.
The number of United States airline employees laid off because of a four-day wildcat strike by flight engineers against six major airlines reached 84,000 by late afternoon today.

In New York an estimated 100,000 would-be travellers were stranded, and all over the nation angry people were storming airline booking offices.

Earlier today, Pan-American World Airways said it would maintain a token service on its overseas routes, using engineering supervisors who normally do not do aircrew duty.—Reuter.

**Rusk discusses
Laos problem**

Washington, Feb. 20.
Mr. Mikhail Menshikov, the Soviet Ambassador, called at the State Department tonight for what he described as a "preliminary kind of talk on Laos" with Mr. Dean Rusk, the Secretary of State.

The State Department had announced earlier that the ambassador had been called to Mr. Rusk's office to discuss the Laos problem.

Mr. Menshikov was non-committal about his talk but told reporters in reply to questions that the Soviet Union had always stated "that the problem should be solved through a Neutral Laos."—Reuter.

**ODHAMS PRESS
SHARES JUMP
OVER £2.5M**

London, Feb. 21.
Total value of the shares of Odhams Press, British newspaper and magazine empire, jumped quickly by more than £2,500,000 on the London Stock Exchange yesterday following an increased takeover bid by the Daily Mirror group.

Impact of the new bid made on Friday night sent the Odhams shares rising as soon as the Exchange opened.

Shares shot up by 4 1/2 above the official Friday closing price to 56 2/3 as the spotlight in the takeover battle between the Daily Mirror and Mr. Roy Thomson, Canadian millionaire newspaper magnate, switched to the City of London.

At the same time shares of the Daily Mirror group fell by 10 1/2 to 11 1/4.

The big question being asked here was whether Mr. Thomson would now try to outbid the Mirror.

Mr. Thomson, said the question might be answered within the next three days.

If after consultation with his financial advisers Mr. Thomson launched a counter offer, it was thought it would be in cash—properly about £3 for each Odhams share.

This would make a total price of more than £35 million as nearly 12 million shares are involved.—China Mail Special.

**UN asked to
distribute
Dutch note**

United Nations Feb. 21.
The Netherlands has asked the Secretary-General Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, to distribute to all members of the United Nations the text of a Dutch note to Indonesia protesting against activities of Indonesian armed forces near New Guinea.

The note, dated February 7, was handed to Indonesian Foreign Minister Subandrio by British Ambassador L. A. C. Fry, who is looking after Netherlands affairs in Djakarta.—AP.

**Polaris submarine
base on Clyde
wise move**

Glasgow, Feb. 20.
Mr. Edward Heath, Britain's deputy Foreign Secretary, said tonight he was convinced that the Government's decision to allow the United States to establish a Polaris submarine base on the Clyde would be to make war "even less likely in the future."

The Polaris missile was "the least provocative of nuclear weapons," he told the Glasgow Unionist Association.

"The plain fact of history," he added "is that it is the nuclear deterrent which has protected the West since the last war and prevented Europe from being overrun by overwhelming Soviet manpower."

"It continues to do so today in conditions approaching nuclear balance," he declared.

Unrest in Belfast

He found it difficult to sympathise with "those who wish us to abandon the nuclear weapon unilaterally for moral reasons, or because they do not like it, but expect us to remain under the umbrella of the American deterrent instead."

Meanwhile, unrest against the base spread to Northern Ireland today.

**N. RHODESIAN
NATIVES
PETITION
THE QUEEN**

London, Feb. 20.
The two main native political parties of Northern Rhodesia tonight demanded an end of Britain's status as protecting power of their sprawling country south of the Congo.

The United National Independence Party and the African National Congress joined in sending a letter to the Queen demanding the withdrawal of the Northern Rhodesia Treaty.

This was the protectorate agreement concluded in the 19th century between African chiefs and representatives of Queen Victoria.

Mr. Kenneth Kaunda, leader of the United National Independence Party, told reporters:

Not in position
"Finding that Her Majesty's ministers are not in a position to respect the treaty, we naturally demanded the withdrawal of the treaty so that we can look after our own interests."

"We are demanding a withdrawal of the treaty, entered into by our forefathers on the one hand and by representatives of Queen Victoria on the other, in respect of Northern Rhodesia."

The action of talks with the British Government on the shape of a new constitution for the territory which, with Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, forms the Central African Federation.

Accusation
Bitter accusations of British bad faith have been hurled by the native leaders at Mr. Macmillan's Government since the talks collapsed on Friday.

They have asserted that Mr. Macmillan has bowed to the demands and threats of the Central African Federation Prime Minister, Sir Roy Welensky, who is known to have exercised influence on the course of the vain London negotiations.

Sir Roy today accused some of the big Western powers of "turning coward" in the face of

**Three bodies
of crew
found**

Buenos Aires, Feb. 20.
The Danish freighter Pennsylvanica limped into this city's outer harbour this afternoon.

The Pennsylvanica collided early on Sunday with the Argentine tanker Petromar, 300 miles north of the city, on the Parana de las Palmas River. A thick fog covered the area at the time.

The Petromar was still on fire today. Huge billows of smoke emerged from its broken hull. River traffic was suspended because of the oil floating on the waters and the danger of further explosions.

The Coast Guard found three bodies, charred beyond recognition. It was presumed they were crew members of the Petromar. The total number of missing men has now been revised to 24.

Eight men from the tanker have been sent to hospital here suffering from burns and shock.

The Petromar belongs to the Argentine Esso Oil Company. It had recently been purchased from an Italian firm.

Three Italian officers who were aboard as advisers were reported safe. Their names were not released.—AP.

**Wanted to leave
wife as bond**

London, Feb. 20.
An unemployed Irish tinker asked magistrates today if he could leave his wife as a deposit for one hour while he went to get money to pay fines totalling £3.

The chairman of the court told him: "An opportunity will be given to you to try and raise the money. But you will remain in custody until it is paid."

James Cleary, 20, of no fixed address, was fined £2 and his wife Mary £1 for travelling on the railways without paying fares.—China Mail Special.

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Top value from scientific achievements BIG RUSSIAN SHAKE-UP

*Sweeping changes
in agricultural
organisation*

Moscow, Feb. 20.

A big shake-up in the Soviet Ministry of Agriculture was revealed here tonight—a month after Mr Khrushchev attacked officials who admitted that they could not keep to the programme laid down by the Soviet Government.

The sweeping new changes were announced in a joint decree by the Soviet Government and the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party, reported by Tass.

The changes, the decree said, are aimed at getting top value from Soviet scientific achievements. Priority is to be given to training high-level farm workers and directing experimental stations.

MODEL FARMS

New experimental model farms will be set up, and a new organisation will supply collective and state farms with every type of machinery and fertiliser on a commercial basis.

The basic reorganisation was necessary, the decree said, so as to turn the agricultural body into an administrative body able to introduce the achievements of science into production.

The decree was broadcast by Moscow Radio's home service in an unscheduled news bulletin. The re-organisation was fore-shadowed at last month's plenary session of the Central Committee in the Kremlin.

During the session Mr Khrushchev lashed out at officials after official who had admitted inability to keep to the agricultural programme laid down by the government. Mr Khrushchev presented a new plan to the session to get machinery and material to farms as quickly as possible.

Afterwards he undertook a "whistle stop" tour of agricultural areas to convince peasants of the need to raise production.

Moscow, Feb. 20. Mr Enver Hoxha, the Albanian Communist party leader, was re-elected First Secretary of the Party's Central Committee during the fourth congress of the party, Tass reported from Tirana today.—Reuter.

'Wyatt Earp'
denies
romance
with
Soraya

Munich, Feb. 20. American actor Hugh O'Brian, known to millions of American television viewers as western Sheriff Wyatt Earp, said today "All that talk about a romance between Princess Soraya and me is nonsense. There is no romance."

"Soraya is a pretty young lady," he told the Associated Press, "and I like pretty girls, who doesn't?"

O'Brian disclosed he would remain fast-shooting, hard-hitting Sheriff Wyatt Earp for another year, "until May 1962, when the contract expires," he said.

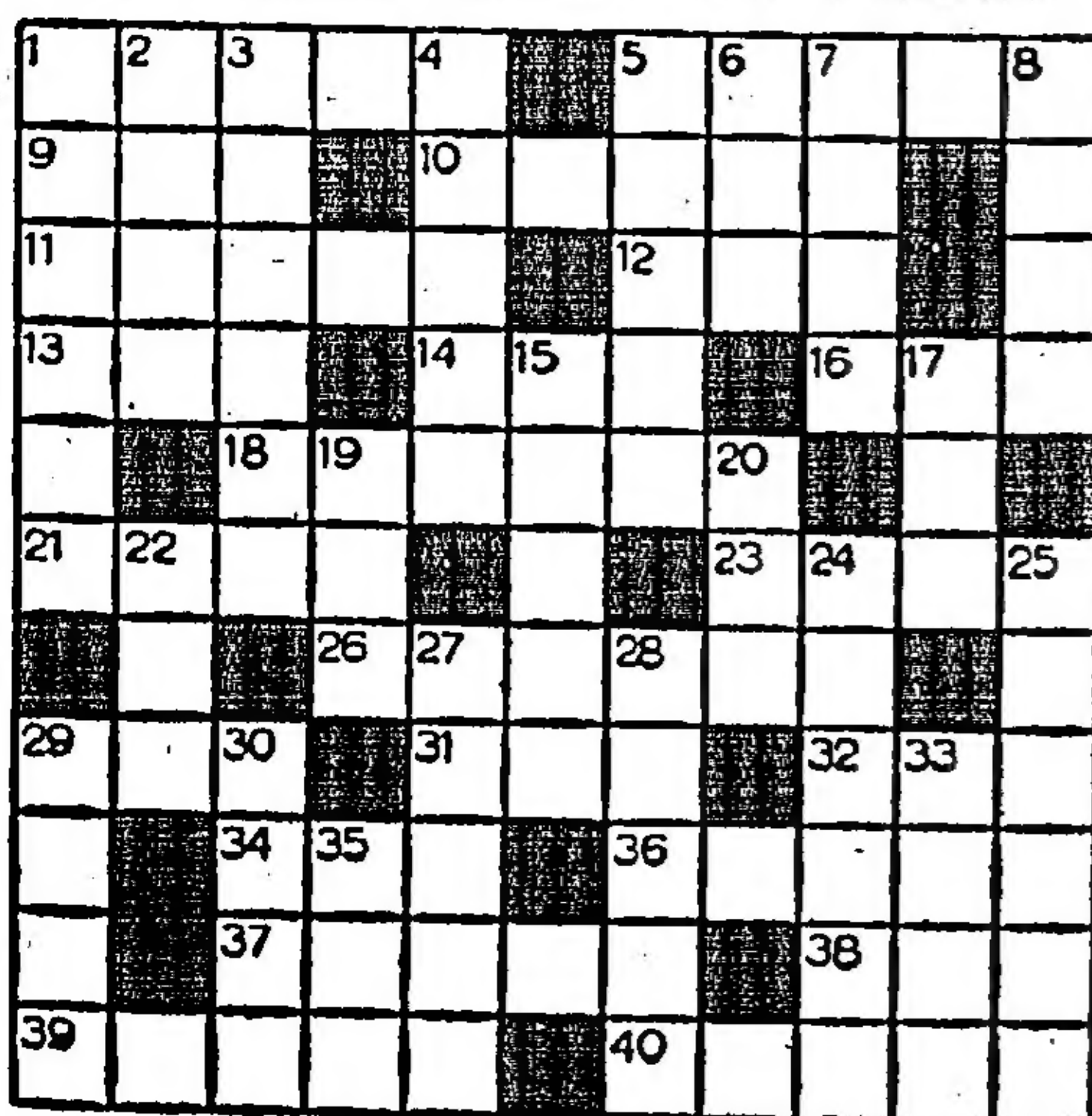
TO LONDON

"I'm not tired of horses, no sir, I like them. But I think there are too few nice-looking girls on that show."

O'Brian, his foot still in a plaster cast after an ankle injury he suffered while skiing with Soraya in Kitzbuehel, Austria, said he would go to London by the weekend for the Palladium television show.

"I can't dance with that foot, but I will be singing in London," he said.—AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Adhere.
- 2 Bible character.
- 3 Goal.
- 10 Foolish.
- 11 Examination questions.
- 12 Novel.
- 13 Perilous.
- 14 Latch.
- 16 Catch.
- 18 Little wheel.
- 21 Solidifies.
- 23 Shout.
- 24 Vendor.
- 29 Insect.
- 31 Beverage.
- 32 Piece.
- 34 Pet.
- 36 Limber.
- 37 Dunes.
- 38 Neither.
- 39 That place.
- 40 Pine?

DOWN

- 1 Frisks.
- 2 Deceiver.
- 3 Collision.
- 4 Females.
- 5 Fault.
- 6 Ditch.
- 7 Stretched.
- 8 Kind.
- 10 Island.
- 17 Fish.
- 18 Idiot.
- 20 Cereal.
- 22 Woman.
- 24 Fur.
- 25 Vessels.
- 27 Bird.
- 28 Minimum.
- 29 Thrash.
- 30 Verge.
- 33 Plant.
- 35 Possessed jointly.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: — Across: 3 Slicker, 7 France, 8 Raining, 9 Trap, 11 Woe, 12 Hero, 13 Rude, 17 Arrow, 18 Rent, 19 Cad, 21 Sister, 22 Opine, 23 Marrow, Down: 1 Open, 2 Wasters, 3 Scrap, 4 Leap, 5 Contender, 6 Ragged, 10 Reporter, 11 War, 13 Russian, 14 Set, 15 Hansom, 16 Harps, 19 Crow, 20 Blew.

HOLLAND NOT TAKING IRIAN ISSUE TO UN

The Hague, Feb. 20.

The Netherlands Government is not considering at present asking the United Nations Security Council to consider the Dutch-Indonesian dispute over Netherlands New Guinea, the Dutch Prime Minister, Mr Jan E. De Quay said here today in a written reply to Parliamentary questions.

But the government did not want to exclude the possibility that such a request might become desirable or necessary at a later date, the Premier said. He was replying on behalf of the Foreign Minister, Dr Joseph Luns.

IMPRESSION

The Dutch government felt that the Russian-Indonesian agreement for the supply of arms to Indonesia "and the publicity campaign around this agreement give rise to the impression that Indonesia is more than formerly taking account of the possibility of enforcing its illegal claims to Netherlands New Guinea with military means," the Premier stated.

The Premier reiterated that it had always been Holland's policy to make every effort to avert any possible conflict over Dutch New Guinea.

He added that the Dutch government had found "considerable support" for this policy among friendly nations in the Far East and the Pacific or such nations with interests there.—Reuter.

W. German bid to counter E. German submarine fleet

Bonn, Feb. 20.

West Germany has asked Nato permission to expand its planned submarine fleet to counter the recent disclosure that Communist East Germany is now operating seven submarines, the Defence Ministry announced today.

Defence officials consider the 12 U-boats planned for the German Navy by 1963 are insufficient to guard the Baltic Sea exits, a Defence Ministry spokesman said.

Defence Minister Franz Josef Strauss also called for a strengthening of the German submarine fleet in an interview with the newspaper "Die Welt" today.

The submarine request became known only a week after it was disclosed that Communist East Germany has seven submarines in operation.

East Germany had any submarines at all.

West Germany some time ago asked the West European Union to raise the 350-ton limit on German submarines but a decision has not yet been taken.—UPI.

Nepal prepares fabulous tiger hunt for Britain's Royal couple

Katmandu, Feb. 20.

Nepal, where tiger hunting is a spectacle deeply rooted in 3,000 years of history, has arranged the most fabulous hunt in 50 years for the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh on February 27.

King Mahendra, one of the world's best shots, will give the honour of the first shot to the Duke of Edinburgh—and Nepalis said their tiny nation will be disappointed unless the Duke kills at least three tigers. No expense has been spared to give the Queen the thrill of a lifetime when, from the back of an elephant, she watches one of the most exciting big game hunts the world has to offer on the second day of the Royal visit to Nepal.

TENTED CAMP
The Royal couple will spend the night in a special tented camp with electric light, private bathrooms and hot running water, which has been built in the Chitwan valley, 80 miles from Katmandu.

The camp is set in a four-mile square D.D.T.-sprayed area, and its immediate surroundings have been dug up and the turf raised to make sure there are no snakes or jungle insects.

Three hundred elephants, with 3,000 soldiers, beaters and elephant boys will be on hand for the hunt. Nepalis hope the Queen will be tempted to shoot when the elephants manoeuvre into a tight ring from which it is almost impossible for the tigers to escape.

The scene will be set for a quick kill. For weeks fat buffaloes have been tied down as bait for marauding tigers in the thick brush forest and by the time the Royal party arrives the tigers will be so used to the bait that they will come unsuspectingly into the target zone.

Before the shooting party arrives, beaters will fix a low "fence" of white cloth in the front of the elephants as they lumber into position at 10-foot intervals. The white cloth scares the tigers, so they rarely attempt to leap the barrier.

EASY PREY

Once inside the ring, tigers are easy prey.

Great Indian elephant riders by shouting without force then slowly out of the 10-foot high

MACARTHUR BLAMES U.S. FOR NOT HALTING CHINA

New York, Feb. 20.

General of the Army Douglas MacArthur today blamed the failure of the United States to follow up its military advantage in Korea for the emergence of Communist China "as a mighty military colossus to threaten the future freedom of all men."

The prepared statement was read by General Courtney Whitney, General MacArthur's aide, at a "Soldier for Freedom" award luncheon.

The luncheon honoured General MacArthur and Philippine Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo, who received "Soldier for Freedom" plaques from the Morris Morgenstern Foundation.

The ceremony marked the 16th anniversary of the liberation of the Philippines in which both General MacArthur and Mr Romulo participated.

The General said: "Ever since the concept of personal liberty and human freedom was brought to the stage of world progress its preservation and advance have rested upon the effectiveness of two mighty weapons—the pen and the sword."

Limited

"The pen has many times proved its right in the advance of human freedom."

"But the use of the pen as a weapon in the preservation and advance of freedom is limited to conditions of peace. For once the peace is broken the sword must be drawn to control the

Difference

"That is, that a great nation which voluntarily enters upon war must fight it through to victory or eventually suffer all of the consequences of defeat. We failed to follow that immutable principle and thereby established Red China as a mighty military colossus to threaten the future freedom of all men, when we had within our grasp the control of its ability to wage modern war for generations to come. Let us not make such a mistake again, lest we perish."

It was a difference of opinion between General MacArthur and former President Harry Truman over the grand strategy for fighting the war in Korea that led Mr Truman to relieve the general from his Far Eastern commands.

The famed soldier was removed because Mr Truman concluded he was "unable to give his wholehearted support to the policies" of the administration of the United Nations.

General MacArthur advocated bombing China and Manchuria and attacking the Chinese mainland with Chinese Nationalist troops. He also wanted a naval blockade of China.

These stands ran counter to administration policy.

Mr Truman said if the General's policy were followed "we would be running a very grave risk" of starting World War III.—AP.

London, Feb. 21.

Russia's rocket probe to Venus will be exactly two million miles from earth at 0800 GMT today, Tass reported tonight.

The official Soviet news agency said the rocket is travelling at a speed of 10 1/2 miles a second toward the planet, whose area it is scheduled to reach 97 days after its February 12 launching.—AP.



General MacArthur

Adaptation of Chinese dragon

Singapore, Feb. 20. The veritable Chinese dragon is undergoing physical changes here to make it acceptable to people of other races.

Y. D. Wong, a Chinese artist, has so far succeeded in giving the dragon a skin with a sarong effect.

"I believe that the Malayan dragon can be brought to reality by adopting ideas from Malay art, Indian art and Western art," he said.

FUSION

"The fusion of the three kinds of art, together with Chinese art, would give a unique Malayan result."

Wong said the Singa (lion) of Singapore had an exclusively cosmopolitan character, something unique in Asia.

"If the Chinese dragon could get such a look, then only can it be termed truly Malayan," he added.—AP.

U.S. move to attract more tourists

Washington, Feb. 20.

The Senate passed today an Administration-supported bill authorising a major effort to lure more foreign tourists to the United States.

The measure, which would set up a top level United States travel service under an assistant secretary of commerce, was approved and sent to the House of Representatives. If the House approves the bill it then goes to the President. When he signs it the bill becomes law.

DOLLAR OUTFLOW

Its leading sponsor, Senator Warren G. Magnuson, urged its passage as one answer to the outflow of dollars which has been cutting steadily into United States gold reserves. He told the Senate that in 1960 the difference between what Americans spent abroad and foreign tourists spent here reached nearly \$1,200,000,000—the equivalent of about one-third of our entire balance-of-payments deficit.—AP.

U.S. SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS ORDER AGAINST COSTELLO

Washington, Feb. 20.

The U.S. Supreme Court today upheld an order stripping Italian-born Frank Costello of New York of U.S. citizenship.

Justice William Brennan delivered the 6-2 decision, Justice William Douglas wrote a dissenting opinion in which Justice Black joined. Justice John Harlan took no part.

At issue was the question whether there was "willful misrepresentation and fraud" when Costello listed himself as a real estate operator in hearings before a naturalisation examiner in 1925.

The government contended his real occupation in the prohibition era was bootlegging.

LONG FIGHT

US district Judge Archie O. Dawson of New York revoked Costello's citizenship on February 20, 1959 after a long legal fight by the government.

The government charged the 69-year-old underworld figure obtained his citizenship under false pretences.

Born in Sicily, Costello was brought to the United States when four years old. He has been a target of various federal drives against criminal elements. The U.S. circuit court in New York approved cancellation of his citizenship on February 17, 1960. At that time Costello was in Atlanta Federal Penitentiary serving a five-year sentence on conviction of evading \$28,000 in income taxes.

Costello's appeal to the Supreme Court questioned that the naturalisation order could stand, saying he actually had been engaged in real estate. The appeal protested also that the order rested in part on evidence "tainted by wiretapping"—AP.

Retirement benefits

Washington, Feb. 20.

President Kennedy today proposed that American men should be eligible for retirement benefits under the social security programme at the age of 62 instead of 65.

Women already receive the retirement payments at 62.

The President's proposal was contained in legislation submitted to Congress, in which his administration also asked for a broadening of benefits to disabled workers and widows of deceased insured workers.—Reuter.

IN LONDON

No censorship in Russia, says K's son-in-law

London, Feb. 20.

Mr Alexei Adjujol, editor-in-chief of the Soviet newspaper Izvestia and son-in-law of Mr Khrushchev, arrived in London by air tonight from Prague.

He is a member of a 13-strong mission which is to discuss co-existence between Britain and Russia.

With him came one of the editors of Pravda, Mr Victor Mavrovsky.

Acting as interpreter for Mr Adjujol, who is making his first visit to Britain, Mr Mavrovsky said: "There is no censorship in our country."

"We are both permitted to print whatever we like but our people are not permitted to listen to the bad words of journalists who are poisoning relations between our two peoples."

FOR PEACE

"The best thing we can do is something for peace. We all say we want peace but we don't all help to get peace," he said.

"That is what we must do at this conference."

The mission was invited to London by the Great Britain—U.S.S.R. Association, Mr Alexei Surkov, Secretary of the Soviet Writers Union, who led the party, said the press could help the aims of the conference by being "as objective" as possible in reporting its work.

He added: "It is true that our press and your press could be a good deal more polite to each other. But this is a question of mutual agreement."—Reuter.



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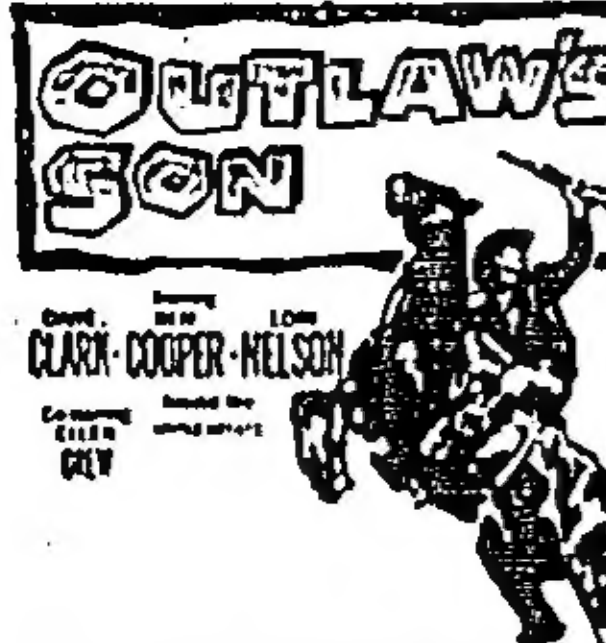


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TALKS WITH DIEFENBAKER

Kennedy to
visit Canada

Washington, Feb. 20.
Mr John Diefenbaker, the Canadian Prime Minister, indicated after talks with President Kennedy here today that he had invited him to visit Canada.

He said that he would make a statement later today on his return to Ottawa.

He described the talks today as "most congenial, most helpful and beneficial." A joint communique issued after the meeting described them as "a friendly exchange of views between neighbours."

The communique said the two leaders discussed defence and security problems and disarmament, and various problems shared by the two nations. It added that they "re-emphasized the importance of close consultation on economic matters."

No plan

President Kennedy and Mr Diefenbaker were joined in their talks by Mr Howard Green, Canadian Minister for External Affairs, and Mr Dean Rusk, US Secretary of State.

Speaking to reporters, Mr Diefenbaker said that while he had long advocated another NATO summit meeting, he knew of no plan to raise the forthcoming NATO Foreign Ministers Meeting in Oslo to the heads of government level.

But he said: "There are a number of subjects that require attention and can only be decided at top level."—Reuter.

HEPATITIS
DOWNS THE
HOUNDS

North England, Feb. 20.
Local horsemen have learned that there will be no hunting for them this season because of a freak liver complaint — among the hounds.

Thirty-two couples of the Derwent pack have been suffering from "canine hepatitis" for the past three weeks. One bitch has died.

Mr Frank Turner the kennel huntsman told reporters a London veterinary surgeon had declared the epidemic quite exceptional. He said it had been decided there would be no more hunting this season.—China Mail Special.



DIEFENBAKER

India bans Dalai
Lama's brother
from Kalimpong

Darjeeling, Feb. 20.
The Indian Government on Monday banned the Dalai Lama's elder brother, Gya lo Dhondup, from entering Kalimpong.

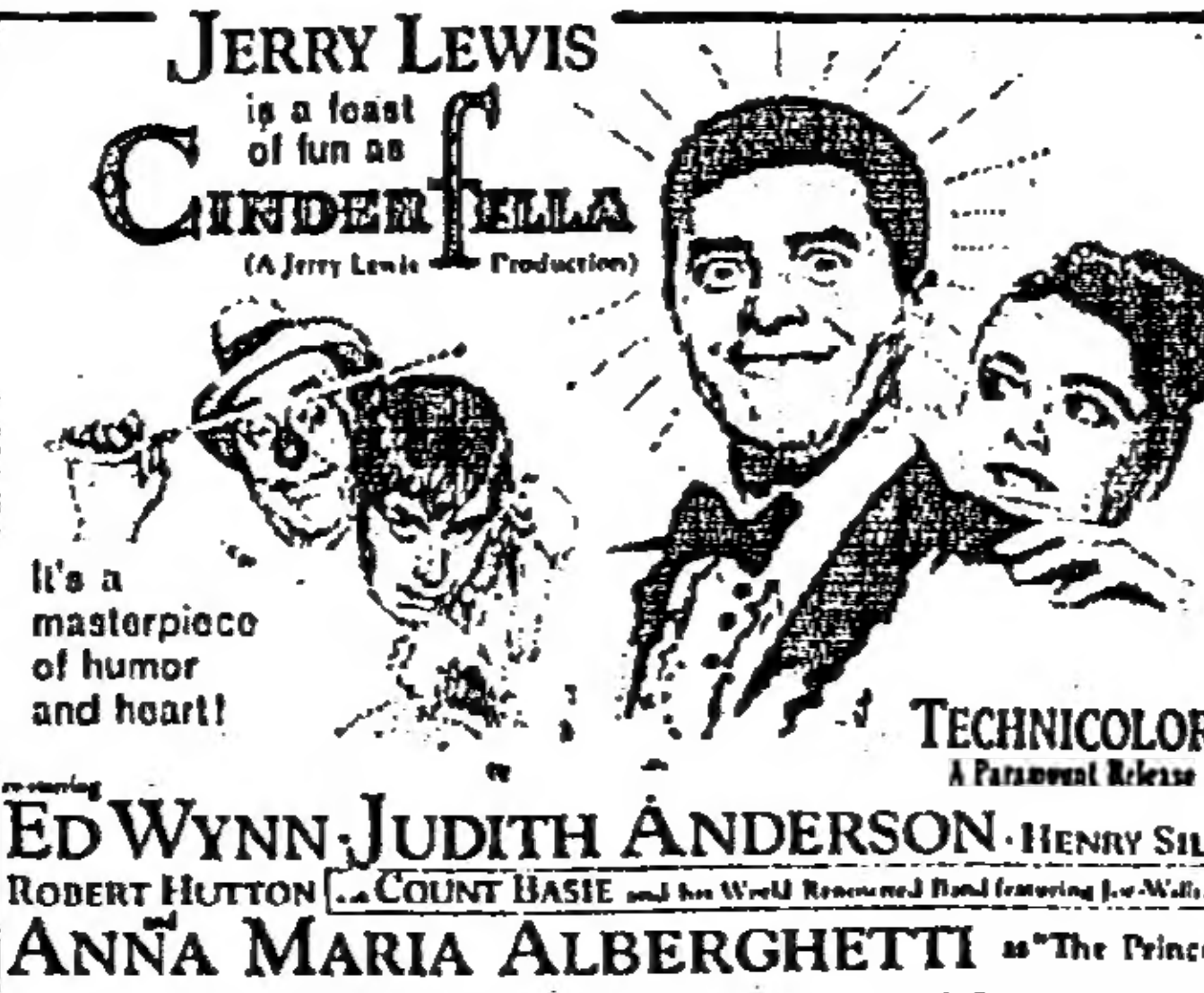
Dhondup said no reasons were given but he would abide by the Government's directive. He and his family have lived here since 1952. He recently returned from New York after leading the Tibetan Delegation to the United Nations. Nehru has described Kalimpong as the "nest of spies of all kinds."—AP.

Charles
returns
to school

London, Feb. 20.
Prince Charles, 12-year-old heir to the British Throne, went back to school on Monday after a week of convalescing from measles. The Queen Mother drove with him from Windsor Castle to the school at Cheam, 35 miles west of London. The Prince's parents, Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip, are away touring India.—AP.

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WHITE HEIRESS
LEAVES FORTUNE
TO NEGRO MAID

New York, Feb. 20.
A former Negro concert pianist who later became a maid-companion to a white heiress has inherited a fortune worth almost one million dollars.

Police investigation of an accidental shooting and a death from natural causes led to the disclosure that Miss Ravella Hughes, 64, had inherited the sum. Also, that since last June she has owned a Tudor-style mansion in the virtually all-white suburb of Garden City.

Miss Hughes, who was shot in the groin, was reported in satisfactory condition in a hospital.

Pianist

Miss Hughes said she was a concert pianist and had played the organ in Europe under US Government sponsorship. She also said she appeared in the Broadway production of "Run-ning Wild."

She was given the fortune and the mansion in the will of Miss Evelyn Adams, spinster daughter of the founder of the Adams Chewing Gum Company. Police said Miss Adams, who

died last June, left all her estate to Miss Hughes, who had been her maid and companion for about 30 years.

Leading to the disclosure of the inheritance was when Miss Maude Shaw, 45-year-old Negro maid for Miss Hughes, died on Saturday. Police said the maid collapsed in the house and died apparently of natural causes.

Gun

The other event was the wounding of Miss Hughes and of Norman Woodward, 47, Negro operator of a fleet of taxicabs and friend of Miss Hughes. He suffered a slight finger wound from the bullet that struck Miss Hughes.

Police said a World War I German automatic was discharged as Miss Hughes, who had sold the mansion for \$75,000 and was packing some of the furniture, went with Woodward to look over some items in the library.

Woodward reached for the souvenir gun, and he examined it the gun went off. Police did not hold Woodward.—AP.

NATIONALIST
JAPANESE
ARRESTED

Tokyo, Feb. 21.
Police arrested one of Japan's most notorious ultra-nationalist leaders today on suspicion of teaching violence to young rightists.

Police, however, said no charges have yet been filed against Iku Akao, president of the Greater Japan Patriotic Society, one of Japan's well known ultra-nationalist organizations. The society has some 30 members according to police reports.

The 62-year-old leader was arrested a little after midnight and escorted to the headquarters of Tokyo's metropolitan police for questioning, a police official said.

Akino became well-known recently when an ex-member of his society assassinated Socialist Party chairman Inejiro Asanuma last October. He was also questioned recently when another youth wounded a publisher's wife and knifed his maid to death early this month in protest against the publication of a fantasy describing the execution of the Imperial Family.—AP.

Korean minister
in Manila

Tokyo, Feb. 21.
South Korean Foreign Minister Chung Il-hyung flew to Manila on Tuesday after an overnight stop in Tokyo. Chung was due Tuesday afternoon in Manila, where he planned to sign a multi-million dollar trade agreement.—AP.

Canberra, Feb. 21.
The chief of the British Defence Staff, Lord Louis Mountbatten, has arrived in Canberra for three-day talks with Australian ministers and service chiefs.—AP.

'Lambeth Walk'
writer dies

London, Feb. 20.
Mr Douglas Furber, writer of more than a thousand songs including the internationally-known "Lambeth Walk" has died in hospital here aged 75. He wrote "The Bells of St Mary's" and "Limehouse Blues."

He was author and co-author of over 70 musical plays and revues, and wrote film songs for Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire, Lionel Barrymore and Gracie Fields. Once a city clerk, Mr Furber was reported to have written "The Lambeth Walk" — one of his most popular hits — in seven minutes.—Reuter.

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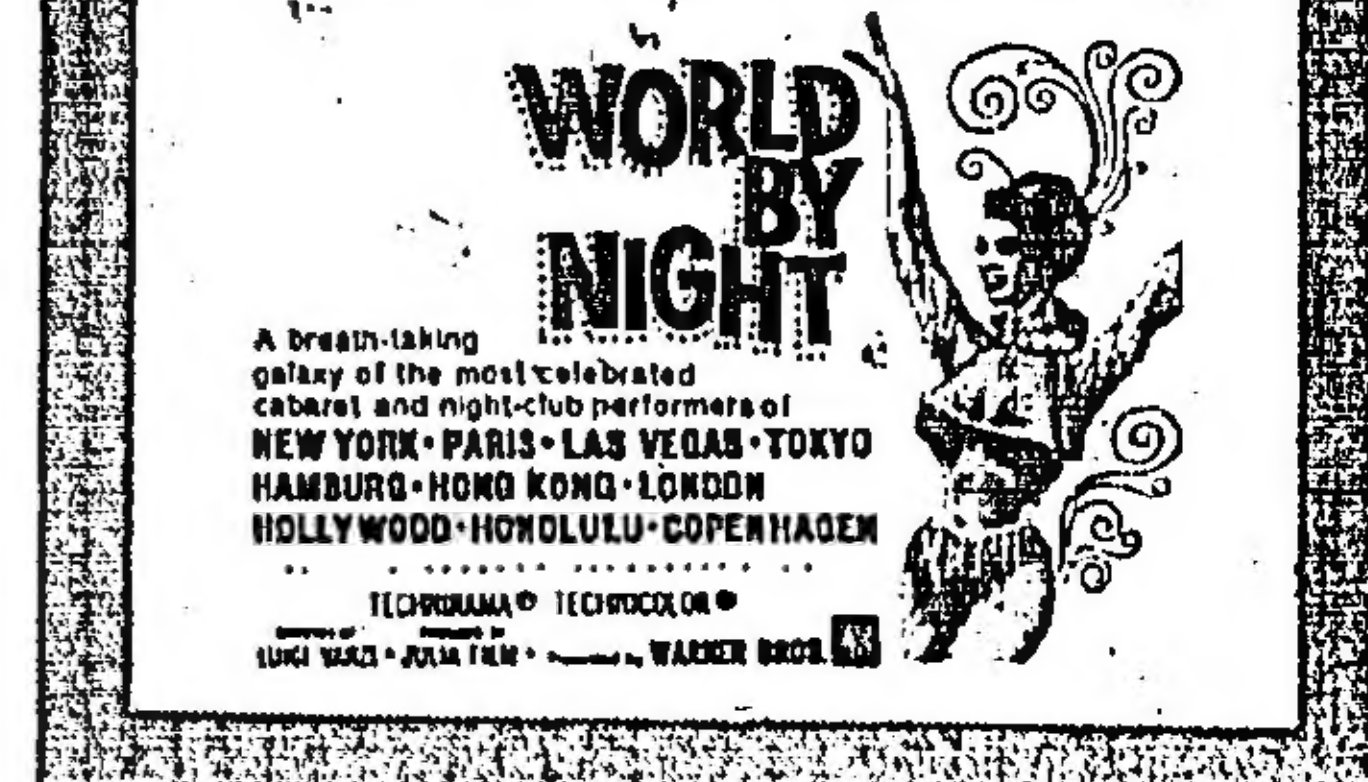
London, Feb. 20.
Workers pulling down the Treasury offices in Whitehall have uncovered substantial remains of buildings put up by Henry the Eighth as part of Whitehall Palace the chief residence of King Henry's Court.

The Ministry of Works announcing this said the reconstruction of ten, eleven and 12 Downing-street and the old Treasury Building has made the demolition of the Treasury necessary.

King Henry the Eighth ruled from 1509 to 1547. Fire destroyed the old Whitehall Palace in 1698.—China Mail Special.

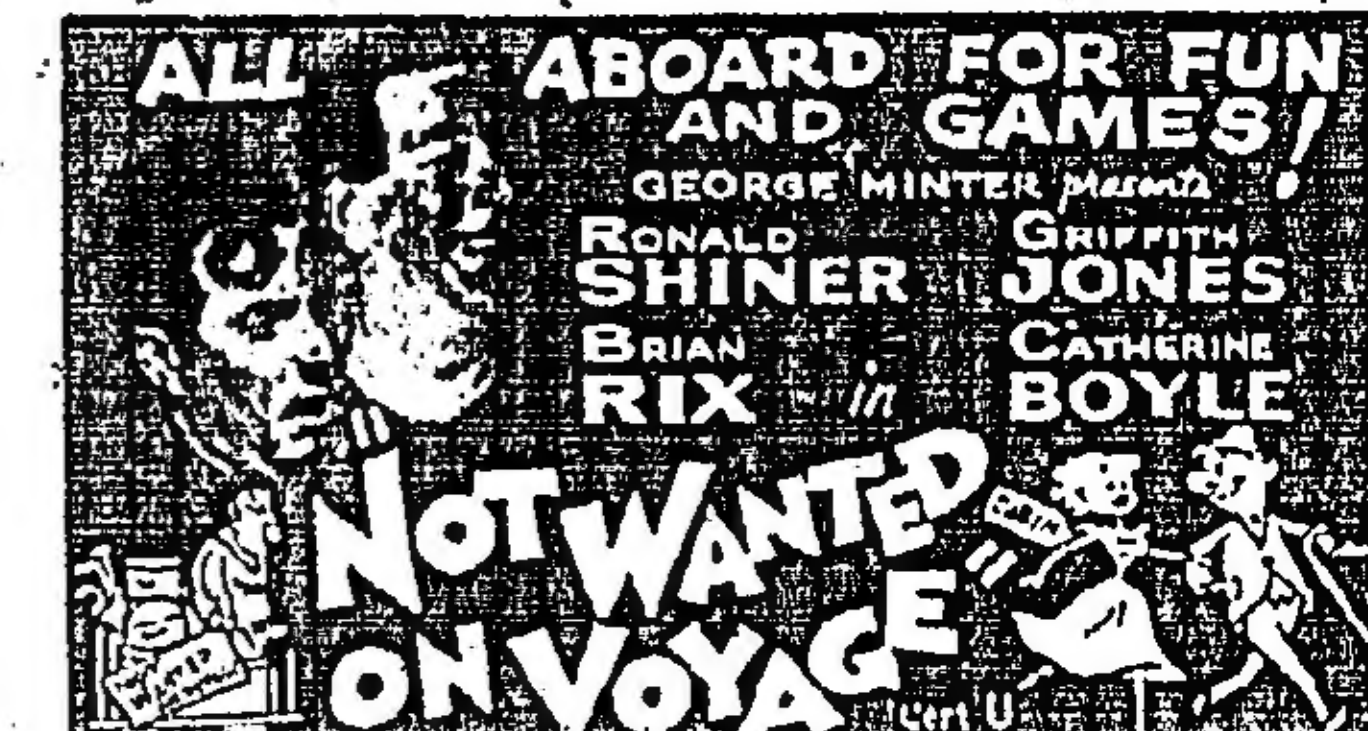
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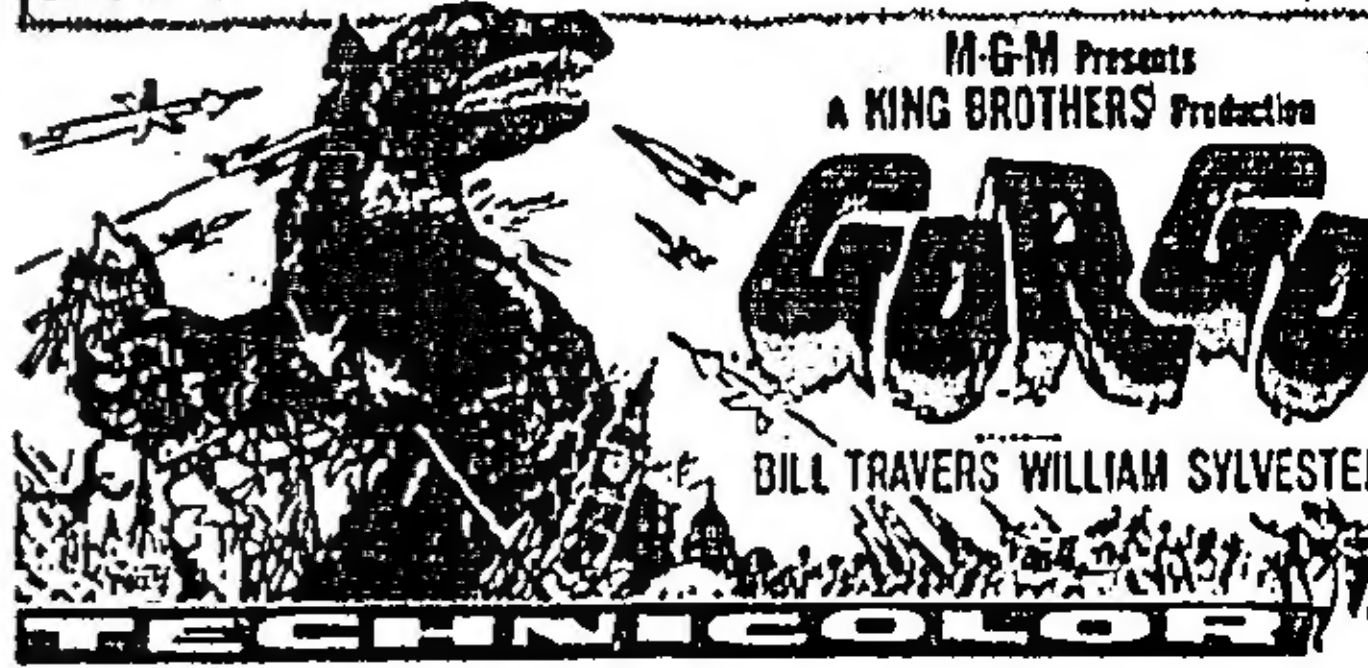
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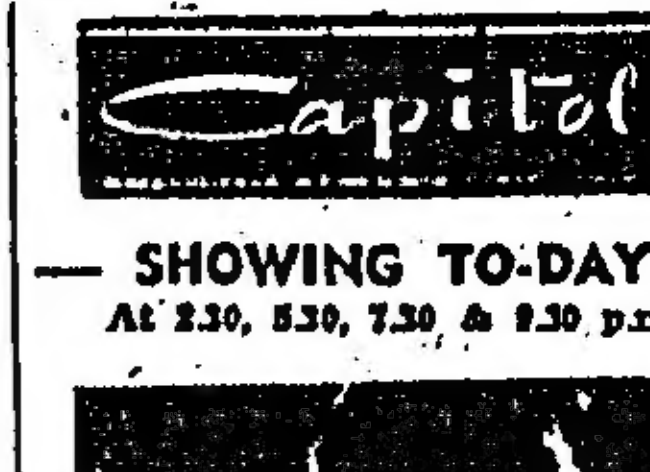
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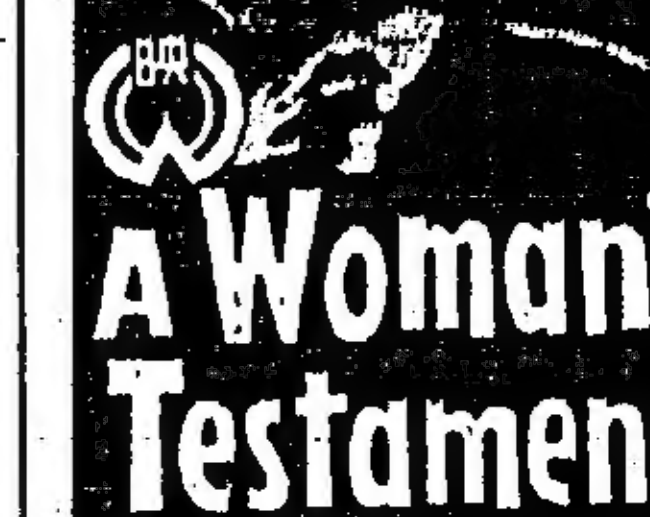


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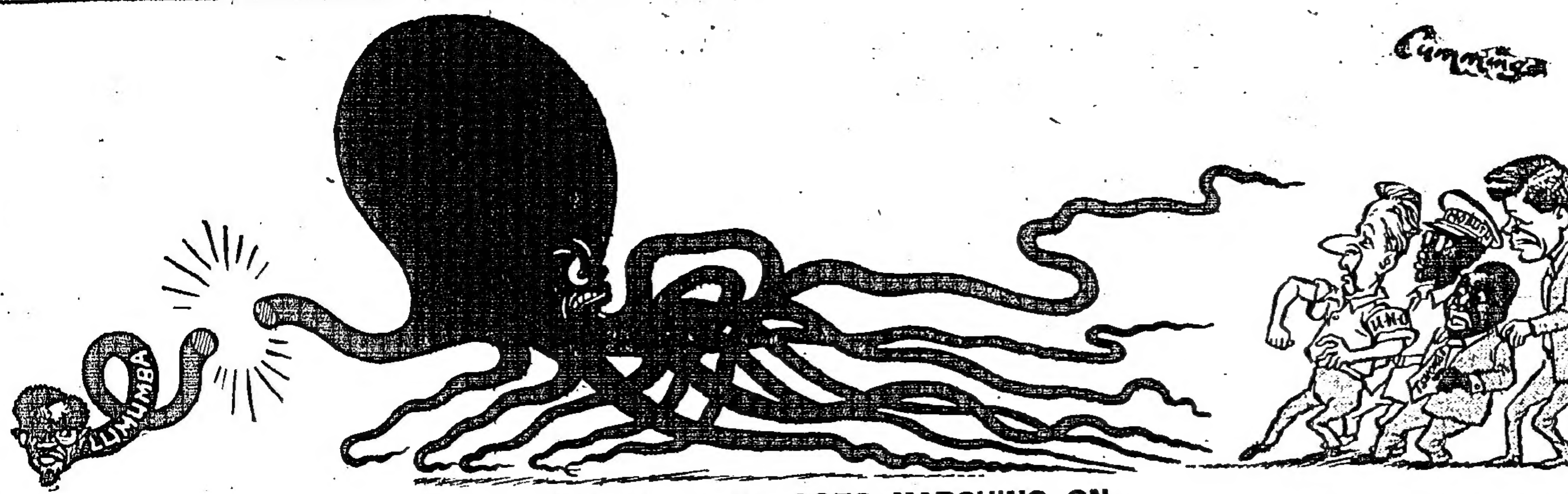
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CASTRO VOWS REVOLT

And a Mail map analyses the crisis

From GEOFFREY THURSBY

New York, Monday.
Cuba's bearded dictator Fidel Castro, shouting and waving his arms, vowed yesterday to spread revolution throughout Latin America.

He put it this way: "We will tell the United Nations that if America believes it has the right to promote a counter-revolution in Cuba, then we have a right to spur revolution all over Latin America."

Castro made his promise to thousands of cheering Cuban workers.

President Kennedy's policy on Cuba was no better than Eisenhower's, he said.

Cuba planned to help Henrique Galvao, the Portuguese pirate who seized the liner Santa Maria, to start a revolt in Angola, the Portuguese colony in West Africa.

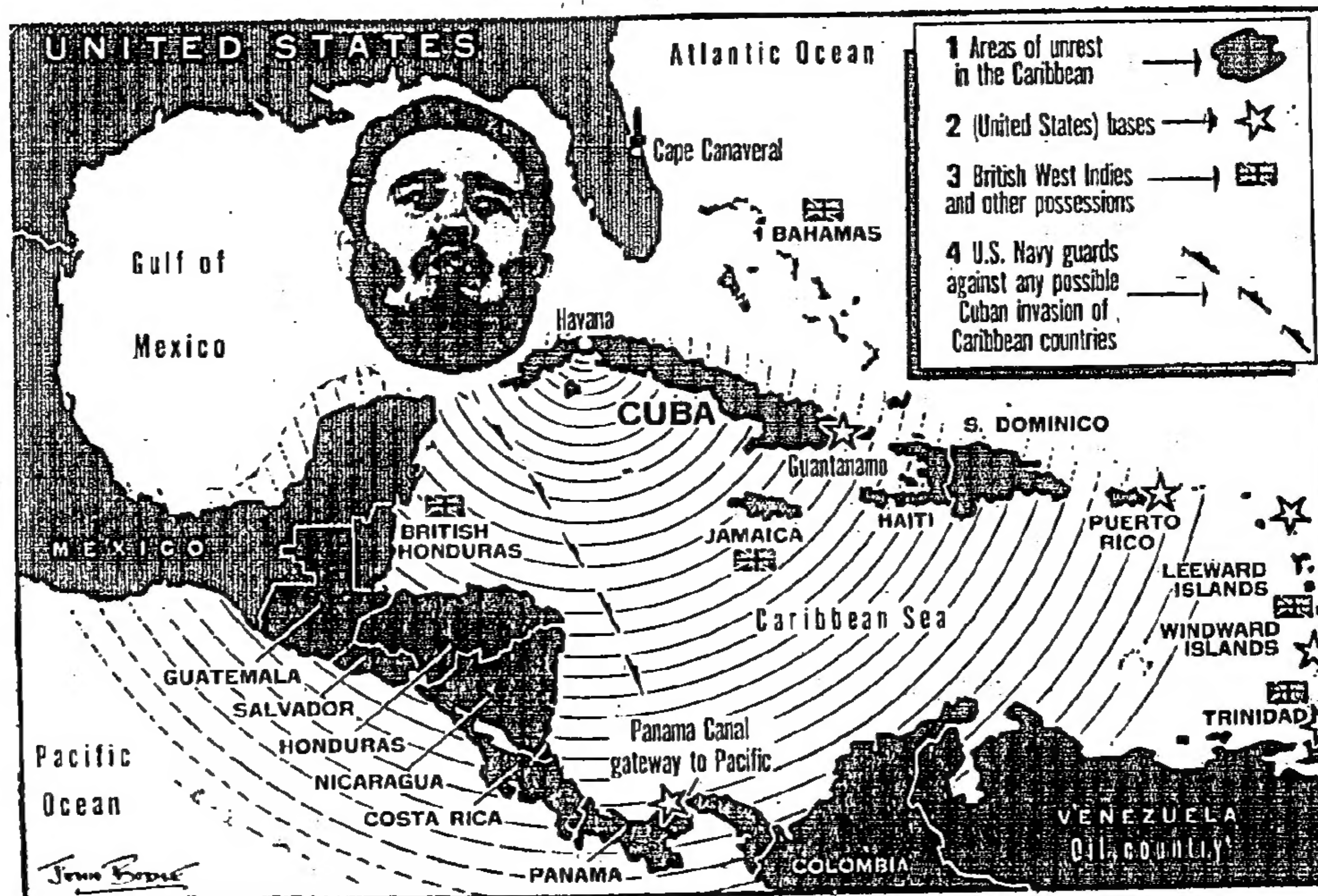
The story is told in the Cuban Government magazine Bohemia, published in Havana.

It says that a Cuban Army officer, Major Eloy Gutierrez, was detailed to take a party aboard the Santa Maria to join the pirates.

A revolt in Angola was to have been the signal for uprisings in Spain against Franco's Government.

The Cuban plan fell through because Major Gutierrez did not do his job. Instead he fled to America.

—(London Express Service).



This is the pattern of trouble stretching across the Caribbean. Map by John Bodlo

WHAT SORT OF BUDGET FOR BRITAIN?

THIS week the calm, cool, rather stolid Mr Selwyn Lloyd will be busy on the framework of his first Budget.

What sort of a Budget is it likely to be? Will Selwyn Lloyd achieve the triumph which eluded his master, Mr Macmillan, when he presented his first Budget five years ago?

Tax cuts. Tax reform. Those were the glorious opportunities which Mr Macmillan let slip in 1956.

Now they present themselves again. Will they be seized this time?

Will Mr Selwyn Lloyd send a wave of enthusiasm through the nation as President Kennedy has done across the Atlantic with his economic message to Congress? Will he put a smile of happiness on the face of every taxpayer in the country?

Sadly I report that those close to the Chancellor are not inclined towards optimism.

They believe that in his first effort at Budget-making Mr Selwyn Lloyd will play safe—or, at least, what he thinks is safe.

This far-from-flamboyant man, they say, will be content with a "standstill" Budget which will have nothing much in it for anyone.

They do not expect anything more exciting than one or two minor tax adjustments and just a few trivial changes in the tax rules.

Two factors, they add, are weighing heavily with him:

1 Soaring Government expenditure makes it unlikely that in the coming year there will be a sufficient surplus to justify tax cuts;

2 Massive claims for higher wages in industry are on their way. Until these have been disposed of it would be unwise to make substantial changes in the tax structure.

Are these arguments for a go-slow policy in April sound? I am sure they are not.

Rather than be guided by the figures in the national ledger the Chancellor should look at what is happening in Britain today.

advance any failure to continue the process next April.

And at first glance, of course, the Tories' achievement is pretty impressive—the standard rate of income tax down from 9s. 6d. to 7s. 9d., big increases in reliefs and allowances, age exemption from tax for many old people.

But the achievement looks a good deal less impressive when you examine it more closely. Especially when you allow for the fact that it needs roughly £1 today to buy what 15s. bought in 1951.

So I say without any hesitation or reservation at all that Mr Selwyn Lloyd must give absolute priority to reduction both in income tax and surtax in April.

by
Bernard Harris

A warning?

FOR months there has been no increase in industrial production, although a great deal of new plant and machinery has been installed. In important sections of industry—notably in cars and household goods—immense quantities of plant are idle and thousands of men are either out of a job altogether or on short time.

It is these considerations, rather than the mere balance of income and expenditure, which should dictate taxation policy.

They call for the encouragement and stimulus which tax cuts can give.

But the Chancellor himself seems almost to be warning against expecting anything like this.

He says that since the Tories came to power just over nine years ago the amount raised in taxation in Britain has been a progressively declining proportion of the national income. He puts forward this argument defensively, as if to justify in

Mr Gaitskell's Budget of 1951 resulted in a £700-a-year married man with two children paying £57 in tax. Now he pays only £4 15s. 3d.

It looks splendid. But if that man of 1951 has merely succeeded in keeping up with the rise in prices his income now will need to be around £930.

Evidence

IF he has done just a little better than that and got his income up to £1,000 a year he will pay more tax than he did in 1951—£61, against £57.

Take two more examples. The £1,200-a-year man of 1951 now needs a minimum of £2,200 a year if his living standards are merely to be maintained. But if he gets such a salary increase PAYE will hit him precisely as heavily as it did in 1951, with a tax liability for the year of £367.

And the man with £3,000 a year? In 1951 income tax

and surtax lopped £1,134 off that amount.

Today, if he has pushed his income up to the £4,000-a-year level, the tax bill comes to £1,186—so that he has £282 more to find although his living standards have not risen.

An although it is said that millions have been freed from paying any income tax at all, there are in fact 10,000,000 income tax payers today, compared with 10,000,000 in 1951.

In the face of evidence like this cannot the Chancellor and his colleagues understand that the Tories' claims to have eased the tax burden so substantially ring a little hollow?

The fact is that because of the rise in living costs the cuts in taxation have brought no real relief to millions of people.

They have left our middle-classes the most heavily oppressed of all. And until these people can spend more of their own money in the way they choose to spend it Britain's economy will not be as vigorous, go-ahead, or dynamic as it might be.

So I say without any hesitation or reservation at all that Mr Selwyn Lloyd must give absolute priority to reduction both in income tax and surtax in April.

Did nothing

NOW what about tax reform?

Five years ago, as a result of the work of royal commissions and official committees, Mr Macmillan had more advice at his elbow on how to simplify the tax system than any Chancellor before him.

But he did nothing about it. The field of reform is wide open to Mr Selwyn Lloyd. Will he do some real pioneering work in it? Will he try, for example, to make income tax conform with that sound principle laid down by Adam Smith nearly two centuries ago?

"The tax which each individual is bound to pay ought to

be certain and not arbitrary. The form of payment, the manner of payment, the quantity to be paid ought all to be clear and plain to the contributor and every other person."

"Clear and plain"? We have now reached such a complicated system that eight pages of explanatory notes, running to about 12,500 words, are sent out with income tax forms. And I doubt whether one taxpayer in a thousand would fully understand these notes, even if he made the effort to read them.

"The tax ought to be certain." How many taxpayers are satisfied they know the basis on which their tax is calculated? Are they sure they are getting all the reliefs and allowances to which they are entitled? Or are they, as many thousands must be, paying too much because it is too wearisome and frustrating to argue?

Indeed, the whole thing has become tremendously complicated that the Board of Inland Revenue itself is now publishing a pamphlet which gives 63 hints on how to save tax.

Few of them concern the ordinary wage or salary earner who comes under PAYE. But it shows what a situation we have reached when the tax creators themselves have to draw attention to the concessions which are available.

An army of people—lawyers, accountants, tax consultants—are needed to keep the present system working. Tax reform would release them from an enormous amount of unnecessary work, and make their talents available for more useful purposes.

Fine words

IN a speech at Glasgow Mr Selwyn Lloyd said the Government must join with employers and trades unions in a combined operation "to rouse the people, stir them up, get them to break out of habits of thought, of processes and practices that are old-fashioned, restrictive, defeatist."

Fine words. And what better contribution could the Chancellor make to this "stir-them-up" process than to abandon the "restrictive, defeatist" type of Budget to which we have been treated for far too many years?

If he himself were to shed "old-fashioned" habits of "thought" he could rouse the people of Britain as no other Chancellor has roused them since the war.

—(London Express Service).

The racial strife threat in Malaya

by Gordon Hung

PART I

RACIAL strife is a deadlier threat to the orderly progress of both Singapore and Malaya than Communist subversion.

Red subversion can be fought by vigilance, awareness and most important of all improving the living standards of the people. A man with a full stomach is less likely to back any revolutionary movement than a hungry man.

But communalism is something that is inherent in Malaya with its multi-racial society. It cannot be wiped out overnight, nor in a month, a year or years.

It lies below the surface and most people don't know it. It is there until it erupts to the surface at the most unexpected places.

There is no short-term way of effectively crushing communal sentiments—the fertile breeding ground of race riots—among the people. All that can be done is for the authorities to move against any action that may even faintly arouse the ire of any one racial segment of the community.

The present trouble in the Congo is as much communal as political, while India, which has now been independent for over a decade, still has its communal troubles.

For any new state, the first steps in making a nation is to instil loyalty among her people; to have a common language; and to have a common culture.

For Singapore and Malaya, nation-building is extremely difficult as the population of both territories are multi-racial, multi-lingual, multi-cultural and multi-religious.

Lingua franca

Government action on an issue—although considered essential to the peaceful progress of the country towards a united nation—might be considered by one segment of the population as an attempt to quash the culture of that particular segment.

Although Malay is now the national language of the Federation, the implementation of making it the lingua franca of the country and all schools has been taken in very slow stages partly because the language was never used as a means of teaching except in village schools during the colonial days, and also because of the vehement protests of certain sectors of Chinese educationalists who consider it just one more step towards the eventual crushing of Chinese culture in Malaya altogether.

Certain sectors of the Chinese population in Malaya and Singapore have often been accused of Chauvinism and the feelings between the Malays and the Chinese have always given rise to uneasiness in responsible circles.

Many Malays in Singapore consider the island as their native land and regard the Chinese, Indians and other races on the island as outsiders. Similarly in Malaya.

Minority group

But in Singapore the Malays are at a numerical disadvantage. They comprise only 13 per cent of the 1.6 million population. They are, however, the largest minority racial group on the island. Although the present multi-racial socialist PAP Government has appointed a Malay as its Minister of State and gives free education up to the university level for Malay students and other privileges to the economic educational backward Malays, certain sectors of this group consider themselves being exploited by the predominantly Chinese population of Singapore—72 per cent of the population.

On the other hand in Malaya, the Malays have a slight numerical advantage over the Chinese. Malays comprise of 49 per cent of the 3.4 million population while 39 per cent of the total are Chinese.

The head-of-state, the King or Paramount Ruler, is a Malay sultan, the national language is Malay, the official religion is Islam, and the Government, four out of five Ministers, four out of five Chinese race, two Indian and the rest are Malays.

And by a strange coincidence, the majority of the senior heads of departments in the civil service are Malays. Formerly under colonial rule, the senior heads of departments were British but under Malayisation the positions have been almost all taken over by Malays who were the only race allowed in the administrative service under colonial rule. Chinese, Indians and other races were allowed to join the professional branches of the service only.

Now the Revolutionary Army even has jungle green uniforms, with shoulder badges bearing a crescent and star. Their four flags had Arabic inscriptions.

While the group was spreading the rumour of an impending racial clash, they were selling "charm shirts" to the Malay population for protection.

But for the crushing of the plot, January 8 might have turned out to be a day of terror and mourning; the Government said.

This example just shows how far a band of fanatics can whip up the sentiments of certain segments of the population in present day Malaya.

Desperadoes

This means that, given a continuance of full parliamentary democracy, the Malays face the probability that in about five years their political predominance will be ended by the advent into parliament of Malayan Chinese and Indians in full strength.

One instance of where racial jealousies nearly resulted in serious racial disturbances was in Singapore recently.

The PAP Government smashed a plot by a "handful of desperadoes" called themselves the Revolutionary Islamic Army of Singapore by arresting 16 Malays who had been going around to Malay villages and spreading vicious and dangerous rumours of racial disturbances.

January 6 was the kick-off day for the "holy war" to redress the "wrong" that the plotters alleged the PAP Government had done in neglecting the interests of the Malays and favouring the Chinese.

The Malay population of Singapore was whipped up to a keener sense of excitement by the rumours spread by the group which alleged that a Malay had been murdered in the predominantly Chinese Workers' Brigade, a group which the Government, which had got wind of the plot, sent out Malay political and religious leaders to the Malay settlements to counter the dangerous rumours.

In the dark

The non-Malay population of Singapore was kept in the dark about what was happening as the Government felt that an announcement might have alarmed the non-Malay public.

Any small incident might have panicked the people into a racial clash.

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drawing by **Robb**



(London Express Service)

Mothers, babies, and the Charing Cross Experiment...

By **JEAN STEAD**
(who had a baby there herself)

AN hour before my baby was born my journalist husband carried on an interview with a Government official from the mobile telephone by my National Health Service bed. The official was, I noted wryly, at the Ministry of Labour.

My husband also had several short, sharp phone calls to his news editor, reporting on both items of labour news—the Ministry's and mine.

Two minutes after the birth, I reached for the same telephone on its gleamingly streamlined hospital trolley, and rang my mother, to tell her it was a boy.

Much earlier, when I was seduced by a craving for the sort of food they were eating in the bustling, uncaring world outside, my husband had gone out and bought me a spicy-smelling hamburger, thickly overlaid with fried onions.

He had spent the previous night near by, sleeping on one of the narrow examination couches in the ante-natal clinic, surrounded by shiny instruments—"I don't mind so long as he doesn't fall off" said the house physician.

All this was mere routine at Charing Cross Hospital, where women have babies the modern way—with no starchy rules, no dragon-faced midwives made hidebound by too many years of impersonal hospital life.

There is nothing hidebound about the midwives at Charing Cross—they carry books by Dostoevsky and Andre Gide and are prepared to talk endlessly about the theories of the famous Granlley Dick Read.

No nonsense

BUT there is no nonsense about "natural childbirth." They sympathise with pain, never leave a mother to endure it alone and give her analgesics when she wants them.

When I had my first baby, at another well-known London hospital, I was left in fear and loneliness in the dark for 10 hours. No one came to reassure me or even to offer a cup of tea. Just one curt comment from the midwife: "This might go on for 24 hours yet."

It was a demoralising experience. And I knew from my friends that it was one that was only too common in London and many hospitals throughout the country.

At Charing Cross a new maternity unit was opened less than two years ago. Its head is exceptional in thinking that mothers should have "university" and "hospital" care, and that the ordinary hospital rules should be cut out as much as possible.

We were given a high-powered course of lectures before the birth by senior medical men—it was exactly like entering for an important examination. And we were given a stiff series of exercises with all the intensity of a coach training athletes for the Olympic Games.

It was stimulating, exciting... I knew they were concerned about how I felt and wanted me to have the baby as quickly and easily as possible. Altogether I was in for ten days.

So relaxed...

HUSBANDS were encouraged to play while the baby was being born. The faint-hearted were briskly shown where sterile gowns and masks were kept and jolled along to the delivery room almost before they knew what was happening.

Occasionally, one would pass out, but they all said they were glad to have seen their children born.

CALLING HER HUSBAND from her bed at Charing Cross Hospital—Mrs. Sheila Ponman, of Crouch End



My husband won the Professor's approval by putting into practice his experience as a rowing coach at Cambridge and Svengali-like, compelling me to relax and do the breathing exercises I had been taught. The atmosphere became so relaxed at one point that he sent himself off to sleep.

Having my first baby was a disillusioning experience. I discovered for myself what I already knew in theory—that the world often treats the weak and the suffering with callous thoughtlessness.

At Charing Cross I found there were fugitives like myself from other maternity wards. One was the wife of a painter from St. Ives, in Cornwall.

My other wardmates included a stunning blonde from "The Buildings" in Drury Lane whose back garden was St. James's Park and who used to roller-skate down the Strand as a small girl; the English wife of an Indian who kept a cafe in the Tottenham Court-road; an ex-debutante who had been a secretary at the Foreign Office; the wife of the owner of a Mayfair coffee bar; a Nigerian, a Hungarian refugee and a Cypriot.

Natural

HALF-AN-HOUR after my baby was born, I got slowly out of bed and walked down a long corridor to the bathroom. Charing Cross is one of the few hospitals in the world where that would be possible. Everyone was persuaded to get out of bed—and to stay out—as soon as they could. It was tough, but it did a lot for our morale.

The next day I had an article to write—about winter sunshine holidays on the Riviera—so I did it standing up and using the top of the ward lockers as a desk.

The following week, my portable typewriter was brought in and the Sister gave me a room to myself, an electric fire, a blanket and exactly an hour in which to write the article.

Peasants go back to work in the fields immediately after

Now, the instant fringe!

To fringe or not to fringe?

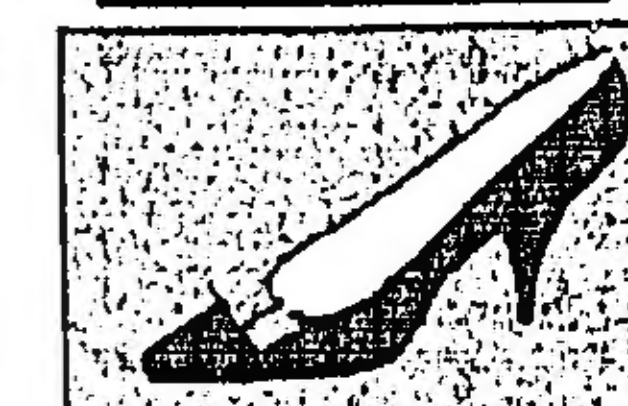
Easiest way out is to try. But the safest way is to get a fringe without parting with a single hair on your head.

Mayfair stylist Alan Splers has catered for those with cold feet about the business by producing a false fringe which is made to measure to fit the head exactly, tinted to match the hair.

It is not cheap (£4 4s or £K507 for real hair, £2 2s or £33 for nylon) but, as Mr Splers explains: "It will do anything an ordinary fringe will do" and designs you six examples to start with (below).



A vogue comes full circle



By **EDWINA**

IT SEEMED to me I'd seen the shape before when I first tried on the newest style in shoes. The Queen's shoe designer, Edward Rayne, told me just where and when this "latest" fashion began.

Way back in 1938 his father designed the shape (above in the sketch) for Gertrude Lawrence. They were such a success with her that he included them in his range, and they have been selling steadily throughout the country for over 20 years.

Now, to tie in with present trends, Edward Rayne has brought the shape up to date with a slimmer heel, neater toe, flatter grosgrain bow. The moral is: If you hang on to something long enough it's bound to come back—and save you money. The original price was £4 14s. 6d. Today they cost £10 10s.

(London Express Service)

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Visit With Smokey

—Knaif And Hanid Hear All About A Fire—

By **MAX TRELL**

THERE was Father smoking his pipe as usual while he read his book, Knaif and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names, sat quietly on the far side of the room, under a chair, watching him.

Or, rather, to be exact, Knaif and Hanid were watching the smoke as it curled out of the bowl of the pipe. They watched it drift across the room just under the ceiling.

Will he come?

"So you think he'll come tonight?" Knaif whispered to his sister.

"I'm almost sure of it," Hanid whispered back. "I thought I saw him a few minutes ago," she added. Then she suddenly said: "Look!"

She was pointing to the blob of smoke drifting toward them under the ceiling.

Knaif stared. Slowly, while he was watching, the blob of smoke began to take shape.

First there were arms and legs, then a fat bloomy body which became long and thin, and finally a wispy neck with a head at the top of it.

"It's Joe Smokey!" cried Knaif. "Sh-h!" warned Hanid, shooting a look toward Father.

But Father didn't hear anything. He kept right on reading his book and puffing at his pipe. Meanwhile, Smokey Joe, or Joe Smokey, having reached a point directly over the heads of Knaif and Hanid, now started letting himself float down. A few seconds later he landed without a sound—for what can land more softly than smoke?—on the carpet. He landed on his feet. He smiled, made a bow to Knaif and Hanid and said, "Hi there!"

Nobody in the world could have heard the sound of his voice except Shadows like Knaif and Hanid. "Hello Joe, what do you know?" asked Knaif. Joe grinned and sat down. He was used to that kind of greeting. He liked it.

"Now, Joe dear," said Hanid, "please tell us where you've been. We haven't seen you since—"

"Since last night," replied Joe, still grinning.

"Yes," said Hanid, "but we didn't get a chance to talk to you last night. You went floating right out of the open window the minute after you came out of Father's pipe."

"I was in a hurry," said Joe. "Why the hurry?"

"Why should you have to be in a hurry?" Knaif asked, looking at Joe and smiling. "You always move like a Snail. You just crawl along through the air."

"Maybe I do, and then again, maybe I don't," said Joe. "Anyway, last night I was in a hurry because I had to go to a fire. You can't have much of a fire, Joe added without smiling at all, "unless there's a bit of smoke. Don't make any mistakes, though. I don't care much for fires."

Knaif and Hanid quickly wanted to know what kind of fire it was, and whether there were fire engines or not.

Not a big fire

"It wasn't that big a fire," said Joe. "What happened was this. Some Boys—and I guess a few Girls, too—made a pile of leaves and sticks and old papers and set them alight. Why did they do it? I don't know. But I can tell you this. It made a lot of hard work for me."

Smokey Joe took a deep breath. He swelled up to twice his size, then shrank down again.

"I guess those Kids were pretending to be American Indians," he said. "They wanted lots of smoke. I had to keep dancing up and down for them for more than an hour. I was glad when some neighbours came along with a pail of water and put the fire out."

"Fire's a good thing," Joe went on, "when it's used right."



Joe Smokey bowed and said, "Hi there!" to Shadows.

It can cook meals. It can warm up cold houses. It can melt things so that you can have iron and steel and glass. It's one of the most wonderful things in the world."

Danced all night

"But fire can burn down houses," said Hanid.

"Only when somebody is careless," said Smokey Joe.

"Do you know what I did the rest of the night after the street fire was put out?" continued Smokey. "I floated out to the country and had myself a visit with some friends of mine. They live in an old-fashioned fireplace in an old farm house."

"We spent the whole night waiting and snoring-dancing over the hickory logs. There's no better fun than that!"

Smokey Joe laughed as he rose to his feet.

"Well, I've got to be getting on," he said.

Knaif and Hanid asked him where he was going.

"I guess I'll take a ride in the sackcloth of a locomotive," he said. Then he drifted out through the keyhole of the door.

"So-o-o lo-o-ong," Knaif and Hanid heard him saying as he squeezed through.

Rupert and the Winter Sale—15



For some time Rupert stands waiting at a lot of people stream past him, and at length one of the shop managers comes up to him. "Well, little bear, you look worried," he says. "Is anything the matter?" "Yes, I've lost my Mummy," says Rupert. "In this Mummy?" says the manager. "All right, Mummy."

JACOBY on BRIDGE

SAFETY plays which are designed to insure a contract against bad breaks are primarily for rubber bridge. At duplicate you usually go after all the tricks.

Any good rubber bridge player would look over dummy for a moment and note that seven no-trumps would have been a nice contract. Then he would see that his six no-trump contract would blow up in his face if he tried for seven and all four diamonds appeared in one hand.

Then he would lead a diamond and duck in dummy to insure his contract against that potential bad break.

♥♦♣♦ CARD SENSE ♦♣♥

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♦ Pass 2♦ Pass
3♦ Pass 4♦ Pass
5♦ Pass ?

You, South, hold:
♠ 32 ♠ A76 ♠ KJ7654 ♠ 5
What do you do?
A—Bid five diamonds. Your partner is looking for big things and this is your best way to show him down.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner opens one club. You hold:
♠ AJS76 ♠ A65 ♠ KQJ10 ♠ 40
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

| NORTH | | | |
|-------------------|--------|-----------|---------|
| ♠ 32 | ♠ 76 | ♠ AKQ8654 | ♠ 82 |
| WEST | | | |
| ♠ QJ10 | ♠ 1094 | ♠ J1093 | ♠ 976 |
| EAST | | | |
| ♠ 87054 | ♠ QJ53 | ♠ None | ♠ J1043 |
| SOUTH (D) | | | |
| ♠ AKC | ♠ AKB2 | ♠ 72 | ♠ AKQ5 |
| No one vulnerable | | | |
| South | West | North | East |
| 2♠ | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
| Opening lead—4♣ | | | |

What should declarer do at duplicate?
He should make the rubber bridge safely play!

The reason is that declarer should note that seven is a pretty good contract and that most pairs will have bid the grand slam. Hence, his only chance for a good score is to find all four diamonds in one hand.

Furthermore, he should see that if the diamonds do break he will still get a couple of points for making just six no-trump. Some North will surely be playing six diamonds.

THE PETITS FOURS TRAY

By **Helen Burke**

PETITS FOURS, small fancy cakes, are, for the most part, well within the scope of even the beginner cook. They are often finicky to make, but the reward in money saved is far above the little effort they require.

Take, for instance, Tulle, a few drops of vanilla essence those attractive curved, tile-like into them—or, better, use vanilla wafers with a few chopped almonds and omit the essence. Beat in a good-sized egg until the mixture is very light. Next, fold in 3 to 3½oz. plain and a whole egg was to be self-raising flour, half-and-half, preferred.

First, arrange several bottles (cider size) on a table and wedge them so that they do not turn.

Keep apart

Drop two to three tablespoons of shelled almonds into boiling water. Leave for a minute and the skins can then be peeled off very easily. Dry them and place them in a baking tray to colour to a pale gold in the oven. Remove and chop them fairly roughly. Cream together 2½oz. butter and 2½oz. caster sugar and beat

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): By being too careful in money matters you may be depriving yourself of some little luxuries which you could afford.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Your optimistic nature will work wonders with a friend who has been very depressed lately.

ARIES (March 20-April 19): A financial improvement in your position will come from a most unexpected quarter.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your plan for a social evening may not meet with your partner's approval, and you must try to work out a compromise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Trust your partner to make a who choice in the purchase of an article which will brighten your home.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Don't let a meddling relative upset your happy, home life, but learn to ignore his unwelcome suggestions.

LEO (July 22-August 21): After a rather quiet day you can expect a very lively evening in good and cheerful company.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): Accept the offer of friendship from a new neighbour. It could develop into a pleasant and mutually convenient relationship.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): A friend who has always rejected any useful advice will suddenly appreciate your sympathetic offer to help him.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): A slight damper may be put on your youthful enthusiasm today, but don't let it spoil your anticipation of a very pleasant week ahead.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): You will soon be relieved of a heavy responsibility which has been a source of strain for a very long time.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): A very nice gift from a distant branch of the family will make you realize how much you are in the thoughts of its members.

YOUR LUCKY COLOUR: If this is your birthday, look out for DONKEY BROWN. It ought to bring you luck.

FRENCH HORSES ARE FAVOURITES FOR THE ENGLISH CLASSICS

By CLAUDE B. RICHARDSON

London, Feb. 20.

French horses are favourites for the Newmarket 2,000 and 1,000 Guineas and the Epsom Derby and Oaks in the first bookmakers' lists on the 1961 classics.

M. J. Puerari's Lepinay is first choice for the 2,000 Guineas (April 26) the Aga Khan's Opaline for the 1,000 Guineas (April 27) and Oaks (June 2) and Mme J. Couturie's Right Royal for the Derby (May 31).

Lepinay won three races in France last season and a link to English form is provided by his running in the £10,000 Prix Morny over six furlongs in which he finished fourth to the filly Solitude. In second place a short neck and a neck ahead of Lepinay was Typhoon who won the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Richmond Stakes at Goodwood. For his Californian owner Mr Neil S. McCarthy.

Typhoon, trained in Ireland by Paddy Prendergast, was

Cricket fails to impress the Russian Ambassador

Canberra, Feb. 20. The Russian Ambassador to Australia, Mr Ivan Kurdiukov, is not convinced that cricket, if played by Russians and Americans, would solve many of the world's problems.

He was commenting on a remark by the Australian Prime Minister, Mr Robert Menzies, that if Russians and Americans played cricket, a lot of the world's problems would be solved.

Mr Kurdiukov saw his first game of cricket on Saturday, when the West Indies played a team chosen by the Prime Minister.

The Soviet Ambassador gave his opinion on cricket after the game.

"Cricket is very interesting," said Mr Kurdiukov. "But" He added with a puff, "it is very peculiar. It was very difficult for me to understand it."

He added that cricket was not popular in Russia and he thought that it would never be popular in his country. "Perhaps there is something special about cricket."

"But it is difficult for me to see it," the Ambassador said. —China Mail Special.

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placed second in the English Free Handicap. At the time of the Prix Morny he was probably not as fully wound up as Typhoon and his performance was a good one.

Impressive

He looked impressive in his three later victories, one of which was scored against older horses.

A bout of stomach trouble prevented Lepinay being sent over to England to contest the Middle Park Stakes won by his sire Buisson Ardent in 1955. Buisson Ardent finished third in the 2,000 Guineas the following year.

Opaline is already well-known to English racegoers for she came over to win the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket last October and made a deep and lasting impression by the ease with which she whipped the opposition. This brilliant filly seems sure to bring posthumous glory to her sire Hyperion who recently had to be put down at the ripe age of 30.

Opaline has tremendous speed which should carry her to victory in the 1,000 Guineas.

It remains to be seen whether she also has the stamina to win

the Oaks over a mile and a half. She may have inherited some of this quality from Hyperion but her dam, Matine is a daughter of Palestine whose main asset was speed.

There should be no doubt about Right Royal's stamina, for Mme Couturie's colt was an easy winner of the £12,000 Grand Critérium, France's top two-year-old race, over the mile at Longchamp in October. The son of Owen Tudor, winner of a British wartime Derby, was beaten only once in four outings last season and was undoubtedly France's best two-year-old colt.

Tough rival

Second to him in the Grand Critérium was Moskova, a filly who may give Opaline a tough race of it in the Oaks. The distance will prove no trouble to her.

It is the rule nowadays rather than the exception for early betting lists on the English classics to have a strongly Gallic look. Things rarely turn out as badly—from the English point of view—as the early indications suggest but it looks as if it will be a tougher than usual task keeping the classics at home this year. —China Mail Special.

Dawn Fraser dropped from Australian touring swim teams

World 100 metres women's freestyle champion, Dawn Fraser, had been dropped from Australian touring swimming teams as a disciplinary measure—but was not banned from future tours, Australian Amateur Swimming Union President, Mr Hicks I've said today.

He was commenting on reports that the Swimming Union had banned Dawn Fraser from overseas tours.

Mr I've said that Dawn Fraser had not been included in Australian teams to tour New Zealand and South

Africa as a disciplinary measure, because she had refused to swim in the butterfly at the Rome Olympic Games.

But, said Mr I've: "You just don't keep on disciplining a person." He could see nothing against Dawn being chosen to go to Japan with an Australia team, he said.

The Japanese had asked for three male and two women

Big international field for PI Open Golf

Manila, Feb. 20. The greatest international field ever to take part in the 40th (about £7,000) Philippine Open Golf Tournament will be held on February 23-26 on the suburban Wack Wack golf course is assembling here.

Ten Australians, including two British Open winners, are entered, along with seven professionals from Japan, four from Formosa, and George Beyer of the United States.

Bayer ranks among the co-favorites, who also include Australians Peter Thomson, Kel Nagle, Bruce Crampton, and Frank Phillips, the defending champion. Crampton won in 1959.

Phillips equalled the competitive record of 68 in the final round last year to edge Hsieh Yung-yo of Formosa by a stroke. Thomson was third.

Phillips also won the Singapore Open two weeks ago over many of the same players. Kel Nagle won the Hongkong South China Morning Post Tournament last week.

The field will play 18 holes daily over the 9,000-yard Wack Wack course, with the field cut to the best 54 scores after 36 holes and to the top 30 on the final day. The winner receives 8,000 pesos (about £1,400). —AP.

Spurs' first home defeat



Leicester City players (dark shirts) show their joy when their inside-right and captain, Walsh, scores their third—and winning—goal in the First Division match against League leaders Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane, London, recently. With the ball in the net, Tottenham goalkeeper Brown lies on the ground. Running towards the net is Spurs' left-half Mackay and on the ground over to the right is their centre-half Norman (No. 5). Leicester players in the picture include outside-left Wills (No. 11) and centre-forward Leek (No. 9). Leicester won the match 3-2, inflicting Spurs' first home defeat of the season. —Reuterphoto.

'Red light' causes punter's death

Bowie, Feb. 21. A 52-year-old U.S. Army officer, Major James Stewart, died of a heart attack at Bowie racetrack today after a long shot, on which he wagered, finished first and the "inquiry" sign was lighted by the stewards.

Simon, who was released from a hospital earlier in the day, bet to win on "Hidouble, a 35-to-1 shot, in the second race. He suffered the heart attack when the officials investigated the running of the race. He died before learning that Hidouble was disqualified and placed third. —AP.

SMB DARTS LEAGUE RAF team maintains unbeaten record

Main interest in Section I of the current San Miguel Brewery Darts League is whether the SNCO's Mess, RAF Little Sai Wan, can maintain their unbeaten record.

Last week they proved their superiority in an away win by six games to nil against the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess MPSC. The first five games were won by two straight legs. They now lie second in the Section, four points behind the leaders, the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess, 1st Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, but they have three games in hand. The Chief Petty Officers' and Petty Officers' Mess, HMS Tamar, beaten only once in 12 matches, lost a tough match at home against the Dockyard Police Club.

The second maximum score of the season was registered by Mr O'Rourke of the Stanley Club in an away drawn match against the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess MPSC. In Section II the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess 5th Field Regiment still remain in the lead but are closely followed by the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess 6th Field Regiment. The eventual winners of this section must be decided when these two next meet each other.

Team captains in Section I are requested to note that the team captain of 50th Coy RASC is now Sergeant J. Howarth. Telephone No. 35861 Ext. 439.

Following are the results of recent matches and the current League standings:

RESULTS

| Section I | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| WOs & Sgts Mess 1st RNF | 5 WOs & Sgts Mess HK Signal Regt. |
| WOs & Sgts Mess MPSC | 3 The Stanley Club |
| WOs & Sgts Mess HQLE | 5 WOs & Sgts Mess HKCTU |
| CPO's & PO's Mess HMS Tamar | 1 WOs & Sgts Mess 56th Coy RASC |
| HM Dockyard Club | 5 Craigengower Cricket Club |
| WOs & Sgts Mess Hongkong Signal Regt. | 3 SNCO's Mess RAF Little Sai Wan |
| WOs & Sgts Mess B.M.H.I. Bowen Road | 2 WOs & Sgts Mess 1st RNF |
| CPO's & PO's Mess HMS Tamar | 2 HM Dockyard Club |

| Section II | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| WOs & Sgts Mess REME Command W/S | 3 Crown & Anchor Club |
| WOs & Sgts Mess RAOC 6 COD | 3 WOs & Sgts Mess Camp Kowloon |
| WOs & Sgts Mess 1st R. Warwicks | 2 WOs & Sgts Mess RAOC 6 COD |
| WOs & Sgts Mess 5th Field Regiment | 5 WOs & Sgts Mess 1st R. Warwicks |

LEAGUE STANDINGS

| Section I | | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------------------------------|----|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| WOs & Sgts Mess 1st RNF | 12 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 30 | 23 | 19 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess RAF Little Sai Wan | 12 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 23 | 10 | 19 |
| CPO's & PO's Mess HMS Tamar | 13 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 25 | 10 | 18 |
| Dockyard Police Club | 13 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 37 | 15 | 15 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess HKCTU | 11 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 28 | 14 | 14 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess HQ Land Forces | 12 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 32 | 14 | 14 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess 56th Coy RASC | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 36 | 13 | 13 |
| The Stanley Club | 11 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 31 | 11 | 11 |
| Craigengower Cricket Club "Gold" | 11 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 31 | 8 | 8 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess MPSC | 13 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 22 | 56 | 6 | 6 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess Hongkong Signals | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 38 | 5 | 5 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess B.M.H.I. | 11 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 23 | 43 | 4 | 4 |
| Craigengower Cricket Club "Green" | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 42 | 1 | 1 |

| Section II | | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|--|----|---|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| WOs & Sgts Mess 5th Field Regiment | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 43 | 18 | 17 | 17 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess RAOC 6 COD | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 39 | 21 | 16 | 16 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess 32nd Medium Regt | 9 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 34 | 20 | 12 | 12 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess Camp Kowloon | 8 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 29 | 19 | 11 | 11 |
| Crown & Anchor Club | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 23 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess REME Com. W/S | 10 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 25 | 35 | 6 | 6 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess 1st R. Warwicks | 9 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 18 | 30 | 2 | 2 |
| WOs & Sgts Mess REME 28 Coy Gurkha ASC | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 46 | 1 | 1 |

Azam Khan wins professional squash title

London, Feb. 20. Azam Khan of Pakistan won the British Professional Squash Rackets Championship for the fourth successive time when he beat his nephew Mohibullah Khan of the Pakistan Air Force 9-5, 10-9, 7-9, 9-1, in the final at the Royal Automobile Club tonight.

Azam's wider experience stood him in great stead against his young and spectacular rival. Mohibullah lacked consistency, particularly with drop shots and was inclined to make unexpected errors.

The match centred mainly on the 25-minute second game where each player held game points before Azam who at one time led 7-1 eventually secured it at 10-9.

Azam appeared to take things easily in the next game which Mohibullah won, but came through with a rush in the last game to win the match. —AFP.

Sunderland happy to be drawn against Spurs

London, Feb. 20. The fabulous Tottenham Hotspur team, who are chasing the elusive Cup and League "double" last achieved 64 years ago, must travel to Sunderland in the quarter-finals of the English Football Association Cup competition on March 4.

Second Division Sunderland, striving to return to their old-time greatness, have been beaten only once in their last 10 games. "We could not have asked for anything better," commented Sunderland manager Allan Brown, the former Burnley centre-half.

It will be a great day of soccer for North-East England, as Sunderland's neighbours, Newcastle United, have got their fourth successive home Cup draw this season. They entertain Second Division leaders, Sheffield United.

1st Division clash

The only all-First Division clash of the round will be the meeting between joint-favorites Sheffield Wednesday and Burnley, at Sheffield. There is little between their records, but the Yorkshire side will be encouraged by the knowledge that they have completed a League "double" over Burnley this season.

Little Burnley, the only Third Division side among the last-eight, have a mighty task vialling the winners of the re-

SWISS YOUNG BOYS SOCCER TEAM LEAVE FOR BANGKOK

The Berne Sports Club Young Boys soccer team of Switzerland flew to Bangkok by Swissair this morning to play the final game of their Far Eastern tour.

Chief of the 26-member group of players and officials, Mr Wally Sigrist said shortly before departure that he was very surprised at the high standard of the Chinese footballers.

"They have certainly improved since the visit of the Grasshoppers (another Swiss football team). They are very fast and have excellent ball control."

"As for the results of the matches we played here, I would like to say that we have had a tough schedule of games, and did not have a great deal of rest before our first match."

"In the second match the Chinese were right on top after taking the lead and nothing went right for us. And in the third game it was just the other way round."

TOUR RECORD

"I would like to say that I did not think that the Hongkong players were not trying. The game just did not go very well for them and we scored the goals," Mr Sigrist added.

In their Far Eastern tour the Young Boys played in Ceylon, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Saigon, losing only one match. Of their three games here they lost two and won one.

They are current champions of the Swiss League and have held the title since 1957.

After their match in Bangkok, the team will return to Zurich.

They were seen off at the airport this morning by Mr Ramsey Omar, Secretary of the Hongkong Football Association, and members of the Swiss community headed by Mr Fred Bertschinger, President of the Swiss Association of Hongkong.

SPURS NOW 2-1 CUP FAVOURITES

London, Feb. 20. Tottenham Hotspur, the favorites, hardened from 7-2 against 2-1 at the colliery on the English Football Association Challenge Cup at the Victoria Club here tonight.

Priests were: 2-1 Arsenal, Tottenham Hotspur, 4-1 Sheffield Wednesday, 5-1 Leicester, 13-2 Burnley, 10-1 Newcastle, 10-1 Birmingham and Sheffield United, 10-1 Sunderland and 200-1 Barnsley. There will be another call-over next Monday. —Router

TAE GAMBOLS



EMPIRE GAMES NEWS

Gruelling 120-mile road cycling race to be fought out in city park

Perth, Feb. 20. The 1962 British Commonwealth 120-mile road cycling championship—which promises to be one of the most exciting, spectacular cycling races ever staged in Australia—will be fought out in a bushland park within a mile of the heart of the city of Perth.

The Board of Trustees has given permission for the race to be held in King's Park, one of the show-places of Western Australia—a thousand-acre bushland park set high on Mount Eliza, commanding magnificent views of the city, the Darling Ranges and the Swan and Canning Rivers.

King's Park Board Chairman, Sir Thomas Meagher, said that in making the park available, the Board took the view that the Games—at which Perth would play host to the British Commonwealth on behalf of Australia—would be an exceptional occasion in Perth's history.

The late Russell Mockridge, Australian Olympic and Empire Games cycling star, picked out the course as a "natural" for the Games road race before his death in 1958.

The 3.8-mile course winds on narrow roads through the bushland park. A hill on one side will give aggressive riders an opportunity to break away. Tackling areas will make ideal pits and feeding stations. Spectators will be able to watch the field negotiate the most exciting stretches 31 times. The field is likely to be big and distinguished, for the race at the last Games at Cardiff drew 30 riders from 14 countries.

Winners

Michael Drabasz (15), a third-year student at Dandenong Technical School, Victoria, won a 3,700-mile round air trip to Perth by Ansett-ANA and tickets to all events at the 1962 British Commonwealth Games for himself and a companion in the Games Poster Contest.

Press artist Lindsay Carter (23), of Holland street, Wembley, Western Australia won the £100 open award.

Their posters and other entries will be exhibited in Sydney from February 8 to 25; in Brisbane from March 6 to 18; and in Melbourne from March 29 to April 15. The Arts Council of Australia is arranging the exhibitions. Adelaide and Hobart shows will follow.

All in the Games

Eighty Mobilgas petrol retailers in Perth, host city for the 1962 British Commonwealth Games, are carrying the Games banner in a very practical way. They are giving Games funds a penny for every gallon of petrol they sell in December and January. And they are giving 200 customers passes to the main stadium for any one day of the Games.

The Vacuum Oil Company is backing the drive with 1,500 posters urging support for the Games and a major radio and TV advertising campaign. Retailers and Oil Company plan to repeat the effort several times. They expect the current drive to raise between £6,000 and £7,000.

Road patrol

Read service patrol vehicles from automobile clubs in six Australian States will patrol the Eyre Highway, which links East and Western Australia.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Tennis
Colony Open Grass Court championship matches at 11:00, 6:15 pm.

Soccer
1st Division: Kwong Wah v Eastern (Police) 4 pm.
Reserve Division: Kwong Wah v Eastern (Police) 2:30 pm.

TOMORROW
Soccer
1st Division: Army v Tung Wah (Police) 4 pm.

Squash
Colony Open Squash Championship matches at Victoria Park, 8:30 pm.

dear sir

Soccer reports on Young Boys' series

Regular readers of your sports page are of course used to the letters of MacTavish and I don't suppose many people take him seriously. His report on the third match of the Young Boys, however, takes the cake.

I won't quarrel with him about his reports of the first two matches, though they too were inaccurate in parts. I agree with him that the Swiss team put up a poor performance on the first day and though they tried a little harder on the second day, the Hongkong selection played much better and well deserved their victory.

I also think that there is no excuse for the Swiss team and a team of Young Boys' standing and reputation should be able to replace injured or "overplayed" players by equally skilled substitutes. However, everybody—except MacTavish—would agree that the Swiss team's performance on the third day was a great improvement, though no doubt they can still do better. To say that they were "not one shade better than in the earlier games" only confirms your critic's ignorance.

Incidentally, it is also a well-known fact that a team plays as well as allowed to by opponents and both the second and third matches were good examples of this. In the former, Hongkong directed the game and in the latter the Young Boys.

SOCCER FAN

Willie Toweel retires from boxing

London, Feb. 20. Willie Toweel, former South African champion and British Empire lightweight title-holder, today announced his retirement from boxing.

Toweel, a classical boxer, had a successful professional career of eight years after representing South Africa at the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki.

One of a fighting family, Toweel was the only South African boxer to win four national titles—bantam, feather, light and welterweight.

In 1955, he fought a draw with the Frenchman Robert Cohen for the world bantamweight championship, once held by his brother Vic.

Toweel won 40 of his 58 bouts, lost only six and drew two.—Reuter.

Dates for U.S. Open Golf

New York, Feb. 20. The 1963 United States Open Golf Championship will be played at the Country Club in Brookline, Massachusetts, on June 20, 21 and 22, it was announced today.

The U.S. Golf Association has previously announced that the 1961 Open will be played at Birmingham, Michigan, on June 15-17, and the 1962 Open at Oakmont, near Pittsburgh, on June 14-16.—Reuter.

NO SUBSTITUTES IN 1962 WORLD CUP

By SIR GEORGE GRAHAM
(Former Secretary of Scottish FA)

Britain's soccer legislators have scored a major victory in the argument over substitutes. I can reveal that—contrary to all expectation—there will be NO substitutes in any of the World Cup matches of 1962.

This news is official, for I have it direct from FIFA. I am frankly astonished that it has happened, because it was FIFA themselves who passed a law making substitutes legal in all parts of the world—at the discretion of local associations.

It was assumed then that FIFA were paving the way for substitutes in the 1962 World Cup campaign. How wrong we all were.

I have no doubt at all that the British influence was largely responsible for this triumph by the anti-substitute brigade.

Cup profits

I would say that the FIFA decision has put back by years the date when substitutes will become universal.

Meantime, I make no bones about the fact that I am personally disappointed, I think the need for substitutes is very real. I regret the timidity with which the world bosses are approaching the subject.

The final stages of the World Cup will begin in Chile on May 20, 1962.

Next month, a FIFA delegation will head for South America to carry out a preliminary examination of arrangements made.

No repeat

They will inspect grounds, hotels and training centres. They will discuss gate charges (proceeds of matches will be divided 10 per cent to FIFA, 25 per cent to the Chile FA and the rest among the countries relative to the number of matches played and the amount of money they draw).

Another matter of top importance will be TV. In Sweden, the television rights brought in more than £100,000 and converted a deficit into a reasonable profit.

The delegation will also discuss the zoning of the four

groups into which the teams will be split.

There were great complaints in Sweden about the home team being allowed to play its matches on the international ground at Stockholm.

I'm assured that the same thing will NOT happen in Chile.

By the way, there is one fact about the series which will delight everybody.

The final tie is already scheduled for June 17, which means everything has been telescoped into little over a fortnight. That is another improvement on the Swedish arrangements.

Language, ref!

The tremendous task of organising the final series of matches will be largely in the hands of the new FIFA secretary, Dr. Helmut Kaser. It will be his first major job of this kind, but he has had a lot of experience in a smaller way as secretary of the Swiss FA.

Knowing him as I do, I have no fear of any failure on his part.

Here is fair warning for any referees who are nominated for the World Cup finals in Chile in the summer of next year. They will have to be language students as well!

Profiting by the mistakes of the last series in Sweden in 1958—where much of the refereeing was bad—the FIFA Referee Committee, under the chairmanship of Sir Stanley Rous, is laying down many "musts" for the whistlers who will go to Chile.

Among them is the need to understand more than one language, at least in so far as the basics of football are concerned.

Courses

I revealed recently that the Hungarian footballers were already learning football terms in several languages. Now it seems the referees must do the same. A very good thing, in my view. It surely shouldn't be too difficult to pick up, say, a dozen phrases in two or three languages.

I understand that all the officials nominated for Chile will be asked to attend instructional courses on the Laws of the Game—delivered in various languages.

And the referees eventually chosen for Chile will be asked to report there several days in advance for the final briefing, and an intensive course on procedure and match control.

The original referee pool is formed by the nominations from each individual association. The candidates are then whittled down to the final number by FIFA.

GARY PLAYER STILL TOP MONEY WINNER

Dunedin, Feb. 21. Gary Player of Johannesburg, South Africa, remained top money winner this week on the professional golf tour.

So far this season, Player has competed in seven tournaments, won one and placed in the top five twice for a total of \$16,200.

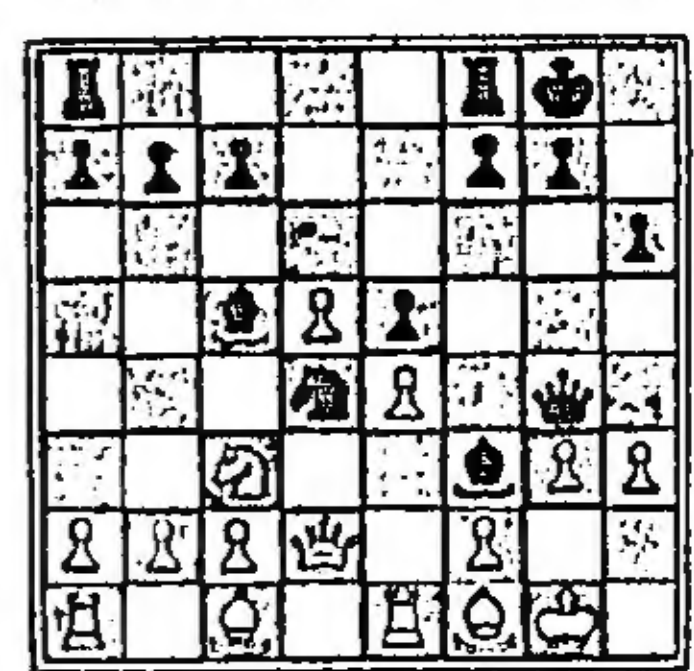
Number two man on the list, just released by the Professional Golfers' Association headquarters, is Arnold Palmer.

Palmer, of Ligonier, stayed out of competition last week but still has \$12,800 to his credit.

In his six times out, he won twice and placed in the top five four times.—AP.

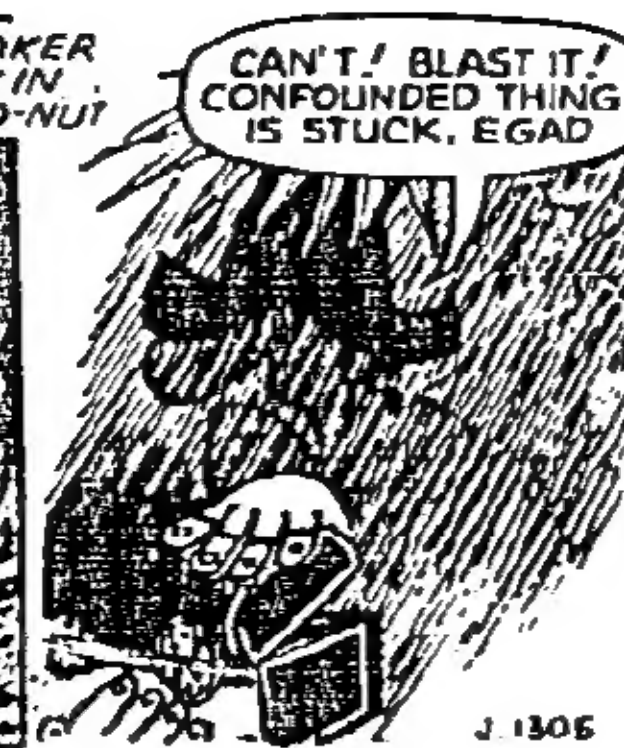
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By LEONARD BARDEN



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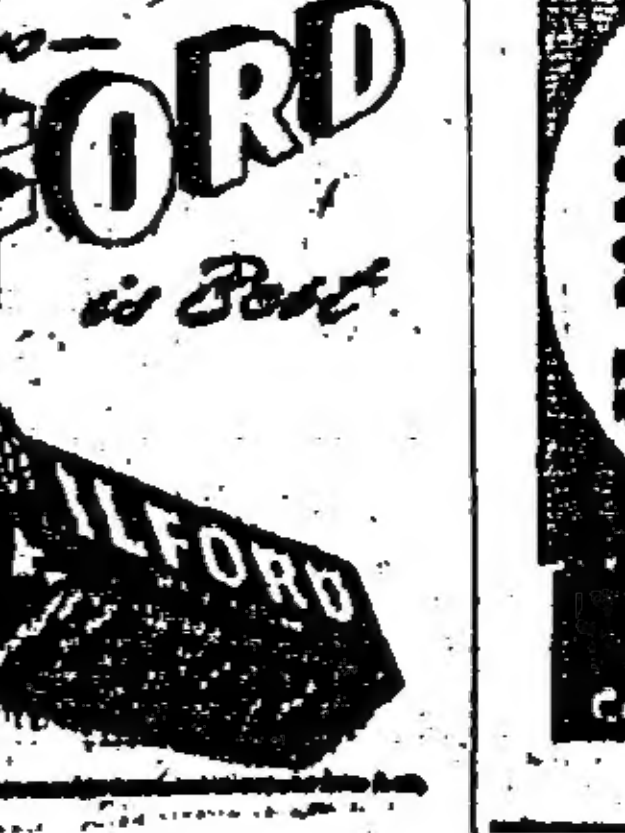
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By JILL DOGGETT

Here are ingredients for a good party. Take one well-spiced curry with liquid refreshment, offer to congenial guests and follow with liberal samples of Trinidadian calypsos.

The well-known entertainer, Sir Lancelot of Trinidad, at present in Hongkong, has given several spontaneous recitals to please his Hongkong hosts. The truth is, of course, that he just can't help shining and every one seems anxious for him not to stop.

He sings Creole folk songs with enthusiasm and great conviction, punctuates rickety calypsos with deep infectious laughs and charms his listeners to relaxed and complete enjoyment. Such fun.

PHARMACIST

He enjoys it all as much as they do and his little granddaughter never takes her eyes from his face. She knows all the words too.

Born Lancelot Victor Edward Pinard in the West Indian island of Trinidad, Sir Lancelot trained at his father's wish to be a pharmacist. He was sent to the United States to study medicine but found himself singing most of the time.

He worked seriously at his beloved music but did not have any real success with classical songs, so he decided to stick to the songs of his own country. From then on he never looked back.

Hailed as the man who introduced calypso singing into New York, Sir Lancelot was given a Hollywood contract and has featured in 14 films including the latest "Buccaneer" with Yul Brynner in which he plays the part of an educated Red Indian who reads the Constitution of the United States to a band of pirates.

He was one of the first musicians to use calypsos for television commercials and advertising. All calypso singers are traditionally given titles in the West Indies and Sir Lancelot refused to be a lord or a king because he liked the English sound of his present name.

FATHER FRENCH

"I have the Union Jack indelibly imprinted on my heart, although my father is French," he said. "Trinidadians love the flag under which they were born."

During his present stay here Sir Lancelot is making recordings of calypsos and popular



Sir Lancelot and his granddaughter

songs to his own guitar accompaniment. After his tour of other Far Eastern countries, he is to return to Hongkong to appear at one of the Co.ony's leading hotels. Then he is booked to appear in Sydney, Melbourne and Los Angeles.

His wife, his daughter Vickie and five-year-old granddaughter, Tara, accompany him on the present tour.

There is one request every day that Sir Lancelot must obey. Tara sits quietly and Sir Lancelot strokes her glossy ringlets as he sings "Scarlet Ribbons for her hair."

Tokyo review

flops in London

London, Feb. 21. The curtain is going down on "Tokyo 1961," the Japanese apple blossom and kimono revue the London critics criticised.

The show, due to run here for more than two months, will close on March 4—after a season lasting only five weeks. The cast have been playing lately to a half-filled theatre.

So early next month the show will go out to the provinces where its organisers expect it to be a bigger success.

"Tokyo 1961" opened at the London Coliseum on January 28. It was instantly given a drubbing by newspaper critics who said it looked more like an American revue except for the Japanese costumes.—AP.

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HONGKONG

French news correspondent Paul Vaughan, who was arrested by Laotian security forces in Vientiane but later escaped, has arrived in Hongkong.

He declined to speak about his experience. News agency reports from Vientiane had reported that Vaughan was arrested at his home at midnight on Friday, February 10, and taken to security police headquarters where he spent the night. He managed to escape in the morning.

SURROUNDED

He sought refuge in the French Embassy whose compound was subsequently surrounded by a company of Laotian troops.

The agency messages also said that the foreign correspondents corps in Laos had lodged a protest "in view of the fact that Vaughan was arrested without charges."

Vaughan has come to Hongkong on his way to Paris.

Man with eye patch in box

Sight affected says alleged acid victim

A 23-year-old man claimed in the Criminal Sessions this morning that he could only see "light and shadow" with his left eye.

The man, Ma Chi-ming, alias Bor-ming, Din Gan-nan, who appeared in Court with a patch on his left eye, was giving evidence at the trial of a 22-year-old woman, Li Wal-chun, accused of pouring carbolic acid on Ma's face after they had spent a night in a hotel last December.

Too much light

Ma, who had given evidence yesterday, told Mr Justice W. A. Blair-Kerr and a jury of three men and four women that he wore the patch over his left eye when he was in the street as there was too much light. If he took off the patch, he could only see "light and shadow" with his left eye.

He added that he would not be able to walk by his left eye if his right eye were covered.

Disorder

A police constable, Chan Titi-kwong, testified that he went to the Good Luck Hotel in Wanchai-street on the morning of December 11 and found Li in a room. The room was in a state of disorder, with water, bloodstains and garments on the floor.

Hearing is continuing. Li is defended by Mr Terence Shurlock, on the instructions of Mr A. Wong, of M. K. Lam and Co. Mr Dermot Rea, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

Landslides

Taipei, Feb. 21. Landslides caused by torrential rainfall have blocked another highway in Formosa, this one of the picturesque cliff-side road between Suao and Hualien, on the island's east coast, fronting the Pacific Ocean.

Fell into harbour

DOG RESCUED OFF KOWLOON

A full grown black and tan Alsatian dog was rescued from the harbour near the seawall of the Shamshuipo Ferry wharf early this morning.

Inspector J. P. Baleros of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Animals said he received a call at 4.30 am this morning that a dog was found in the water by the wharf and that it could not get ashore.

With the help of Inspector Brian Goldsmith of the Hongkong Police and Captain Leslie Rennie, RAVC, attached to the Army Guard Dog Unit, the dog was rescued.

The dog has two tattoo marks on the right and left ear, H7 and L60.

Fog settles over harbour

Widespread fog settled over Hongkong harbour and the coast for more than two hours early this morning.

A Royal Observatory spokesman said this was due to moist air from the sea meeting the updraught of weak surges of cold air coming from the north.

However, air and sea schedules were not disrupted. By 10 am, as the temperature rose a little, the fog started lifting.

Forecast for today: Rather hazy, particularly in the harbour. Widespread Little chance of rain except for isolated patches of drizzle. The temperature will hover around 60 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

Exemption

for Shamshuipo buildings

Mr W. Aneurin Jones, President of the Tenancy Tribunal, this morning said that the area of Shamshuipo around Yu Chau-street and Pei-ho-street, appeared to be in need of redevelopment.

Presiding over the Tribunal comprising Mr S. Grove and Mr A. Alvarez, Mr Aneurin Jones announced the Tribunal's decision to recommend the exclusion from Ordinance control, two houses, Nos 222-224, Yu Chau-street, one of which had been seriously damaged by fire in February 1960.

Compensation for 52 tenants amounting to more than \$80,000 was embodied in the Tribunal's recommendation.

Mr K. Y. Yang of Zimmern and Co. appeared for the applicants, Mrs S. C. Chan and Mr Y. C. Fong who plan to replace the 40-year-old houses by a six-storey structure costing \$140,000 and designed by Mr E. Y. Wu, architect.

Tenants of the two houses were represented by Mr Peter C. Wong, Mr C. Yung of Hastings and Co; Mr R. K. H. See of See and Liang and Miss H. A. Lo of d'Almeida and Mason.

From the Files

25 years AGO

February 1936

A visitor of note arrived here on the P and O liner Corfu in the person of General Sir W. E. Ironside, QMG of India.

The General, who was promoted last year, is one of the youngest of his rank in modern times. He will be 56 in May.

He was commissioned in the Royal Artillery in 1899 and fought in the Boer War. He was later transferred to the War Office where he served on the General Staff rising to colonel.

He showed himself off well in relations with forces allied with Britain. He can speak a dozen languages and, combining with this gift a genial personality and a striking presence—he is 6 ft 4 ins—he gained an international reputation as one of the best representatives of the modern British officer.

AS in former years there will be two pleasure cruise liners calling at Hongkong this spring—the Empress of Britain which will arrive on March 20, and the Hamburg-America liner, Reliance, which is due on March 30.

Though the popularity of pleasure cruising has steadily increased since its inauguration only five or six years ago, there is a marked decrease in the number of such ships which are planning to visit the Far East in 1936.

Normally five ships visit Singapore in the course of their world cruises, but this year there are only three.

The disturbed conditions in the Mediterranean (the Italian Abyssinian war) have caused all the shipping companies to change the course of their cruise liners in order to avoid Suez, and both the Empress and the Reliance have proceeded to the Indian Ocean where they now are, by way of South Africa.

Following a storm in the local newspaper correspondence columns sparked by a letter from Father T.F. Ryan, then editor of the Rock, Mrs Margaret Sanger, President of the Birth Control International Information Centre, London, made her first public appearance in the Colony.

She delivered an interesting and informative lecture on the subject of birth control before a large and representative gathering at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday.

CRACKERS ON

MONDAY: \$200 FINE

A 38-year-old hawker, Li Kwal-kan, of 21 Stone Mullah-street, ground floor, was fined \$200 or six weeks jail at Causeway Bay Court this morning for unauthorized discharge of firecrackers yesterday morning. Li, who pleaded guilty, was also ordered by the magistrate, Mr T. L. Yang, to pay compensation of \$20 to a woman Li Chi-wan, whose trousers were burned by the firecrackers. Inspector Y. C. Lam prosecuted.

Money collector walked off with \$4,000

A 43-year-old man who had been working as a money collector in a fish retail shop for 15 years was charged before Mr Derek Cons today with fraudulently embezzling \$4,184.

He was Wu Tak, of 1E Sandstreet, first floor. Detective Inspector J. H. Roberts said Wu's employer, Cheung Ping-chun, proprietor of the Tai Sang Fish Retail in Catchick-street, checked his accounts last Tuesday and found Wu had collected a total of \$4,184 from various customers between January 28 and February 13 this year but never returned it to the shop.

Wu was arrested on Sunday. Wu, who pleaded guilty, told Mr Cons that he had to support a wife and three children with a salary of \$130. He said he had been working as a money collector for about 15 years and never embezzled any money. Unfortunately, Wu added, he was stricken with diabetes last year and needed money for medical expenses.

SYMPATHY

He begged the Magistrate for leniency adding that he was willing to refund the embezzled sum by instalments if his employer would continue to employ him.

Asked by Mr Cons, Wu's employer said he would not employ Wu any more.

Australian pianist dies

White Plains, N.Y., Feb. 20. The Australian-born concert pianist, conductor and composer Percy A. Grainger died today at White Plains hospital. He was 70.

Grainger was born in Melbourne and studied music under the Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg.

The cause of Grainger's death was not immediately known. He has been ill for a long time. He is survived by his wife, Ella Storm Grainger, a well-known Scandinavian poetess.—UPI.

